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## THE MARRIAGE OF CAPTAIN KETTLE

### A Romance of the Sea

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CHAPTER I.—Continued.

The chief officer said, "Yes, sir," which was all he could say. For any underling to give advice to a ship's captain unless asked for, would probably bring about a cyclone there and then while the words were being uttered.

"Let me see. Did I have my 'morning' ?"

"Yes, sir."

"H'm, perhaps better not have a second before dinner. I wish that infernal chief engineer would get an expert to wrestle with his soul ashore, instead of bringing such useless dunnage as an out-o'-repair soul to sea,—the bloomin' crazy nuisance. I ought to have sent him to hospital at Vera Cruz, but it would have meant a lot of letter-writing, and cabling, and signing a stack of consular papers. I hate signing papers; you never know what they get you in for. Besides you know what the firm is; if I'd got rid of Little, as likely as not they'd have saddled me with one of those newfangled chiefs, who'd want to go shares in my legitimate profits. You take it from me, Mr. Kettle, me man, 'they're swine,—these new technical-school engineers."

"Yes, sir."

"I don't like to send for him, but I suppose I'd better hear what he has to say. Could you—er—just get him into the chart house here, Mr. Kettle?"

"Yes, sir, I understand. Quite informally. Better not send a message I'll go for him myself."

"That's the idea, Mr. Kettle, me man, and bring him back yourself, and then stand by while we talk."

"Aye, aye, sir."

The mate walked briskly out, and made for the two white-faced juniors who were standing at the engine-room door.

"The chief's in his room," said one of them.

"My God, Kettle, he means death for every man on board," said the other.

"Oh, don't worry your small heads about that," said the mate confidently. "The old man's quite competent to attend to Mr. Little and the ship, too."

The chief engineer's room was just inside the door, and stood at the head of the ladder which led to the depths of the engine-room below, and at this moment the man himself appeared. He was stark naked, his face drawn and white, his body thin as an Indian fakir's. He had a cook's broad meat ax in his hand, and his lips were drawn back from his teeth like those of a snarling dog.

The mate delivered his message as though such a get-up was the most ordinary uniform of shipboard life.

"Captain Farnish sends his compliments, sir, and would be glad to see you in the chart house."

"Stand out of my path."

"At once, sir, he said."

"Stand aside."

"Perhaps, if you're not feeling very well this morning, sir, you would allow me take your arm."

The madman rushed and made a vicious slash with his ax. Kettle dodged, and the blow skimmed his sleeve. Then, with the lightning quickness of a man who had been used all his life to rough and tumble fighting, he jumped for the engineer and tried to trip him to the deck. But he could get no hold. Mr. Little had rubbed himself from head to foot with oil till he was as slippery as an eel, and, moreover, he had all of a madman's strength. Kettle found himself slimed from top to toe, and flung violently against the iron side of the house, and Little raced away forward, ax in hand.

"For God's sake let him go," said the second engineer, "and let's hope he jumps overboard. He's as good as murdered the whole lot of us."

"What do you mean? Has he put dynamite in your coffee-mill down there or something? Here you, both of you, if there's anything wrong with the engines, get below at once and put it straight."

But the engineers did not move.

"It's worse than that," said the spokesman gloomily. "He's done us in the eye over the coal. He made us believe there were two more bunkers full, easily enough for the run home to Liverpool, and like d——d fools we believed him. You see, we only joined at Vera Cruz. He'd run all his engineers and stoke-hold crew out of the ship, because—well because—"

"Oh, get a move on you."

"Well, there isn't half a ton of coal left on the boat, and we're in the loneliest part of all the lonely seas, and here I guess we'll stay till we rot. There isn't one chance in ten thousand of any steamer turning up that could tow us into port or even take us off. . . . My God! look at that bubbly yellow weed over the side there."

CHAPTER II.

**The Voyage of the Life Boat.**

"This," said Capt. Saturday Farnish, "is the end of me professionally. I shan't be able to keep up my insurance and if I die it will mean workhouse for the old woman." He tried to steady himself for a moment and then hiccoughed behind his hand. "I shall apply for a chapel keeper's job with the Calvinistic Methodists when I get ashore. It's about what I'm fit for, and they ought to give it me if attendance and subscriptions are remembered in one's favor."

"Oh, things will come all right, sir, at the office when they're explained," said the mate. "You aren't a doctor. You can't be responsible for Mr. Little going off his head."

"When you have been at sea longer, Owen, me man, you'll understand that a shipmaster is expected to be doctor, lawyer, commercial agent and clerk of the weather, and if he fail at any one of those jobs or at forty others when they come along, he's sacked (although he may have been with the firm for forty years), and there are ten men waiting in the outer office, ready to take on his billet for less pay. It's a dog's life, the sea, Owen, me man, and on a voyage one is seldom able to get a full whack of sleep. That reminds me, I think I'l just have a peg and 'indulge 'n a few minutes' snoosh. 'S nothing else to be done. Presently, when we begin to starve, I s'pose I shall have to stand round and see that the men don't eat one another."

"There's Mr. Little, sir, on the fore crosstrees. Any message, sir?"

Capt. Farnish looked drearily at the broken caster of his easy-chair and tried, without success, to stifle another hiccough. "If I could only get the beggar to his room."

"Aye, aye, sir," said the mate briskly, "I'll tell him you order him to go there," and with that betook himself to the outer deck and closed the chart-house door on to the hook behind him.

On the main deck below there were gathered the whole of the Norman Towers' company—mates, engineers, the cook; the baker, stewards, the lamp man, boatswain, the idle carpenter, the grimy trimmers and firemen, the all-nation deck-hands; and high upon the steamer's drab foremast, perched ridiculously on the clumsy iron crosstrees, the white naked body of the chief engineer stood out vividly against the cobalt of the midday sky. He was preaching to the congregation in an elaborately conventicle voice, and they, with the seafarers' susceptibility to sudden, hot, religious influences, were listening with straining ears.

Mr. Kettle, the mate, ran crisply down the ladder. "Clear a gangway here, you sons of fools," he ordered sharply. And then, "Fore crosstrees, there! captain's orders, sir; will you go to your room at once?"

By not so much as the flicker of an eyelash did the madman show that he had heard the interruption. He mouthed on with his discourse. The sun, staring from the hot sky above, was already beginning to scorch the skin of his white back to an angry pink.

"Fast, I tell you," he thundered down at his listeners, "fast if ye would find salvation; and that there shall be no backsliders I, even I have thrust fasting upon you. There is food left upon this ship, yea and drink also, both strong and otherwise, such as may endure for the space of two weeks, and after that woe, woe to the man that shall not take to fasting with prayer and free will. Hell shall have him hungry."

"Just because you can't do arithmetic accurately, Mr. Little," said the mate acidly, "we may starve, and men may die, but each one will have to report wherever he lands that he's got there because of an engineer who's incompetent at his job."

"I'm as capable at my professsion as any engineer on all the seas. I accept criticism from no brass-edged cargo-tallier whatever, and I'll baptize you with blood, my son, when I've finished attending to the heathen. Wherefore listen, all ye that are still unregenerate and addicted to gluttony. Fast. I say unto you, fast from this day onward while food is still around you, and abstience is not forced upon you by famine, and the greater reward in the hereafter shall be yours."

"Mr. Little, there is no getting over the fact of your incompetence. I've seen the evidence of it myself in your own shaky handwriting, and signed by your own name. Now you'll agree with me that no man that had ever been taught to write could scrawl as illiterate a signature as yours."

The madman lifted his ax, and was evidently in half a mind to throw it—which was what Mr. Kettle, the mate, was angling for. But the wandering eyes of his congregation drew him back.

"Oh, ye of little concentration," he shouted, "by what loose threads are your bits of souls tethered! By skirt ye are led ashore, by a small-sized mate ye are driven at sea, and me ye will not attend to, yea, thought I offer ye salvation. But by the sun above that now scorches me, ego, vos precedens, will drag you after me to Paradise."

"You couldn't do it," said the mate. "You're as incompetent either to lead or to drive in the straight path, as you are to make out an accurate estimate of distance run and coal remaining in bunkers. Man, there's no getting over the evidence of your own daily engine-room reports. They'd disgrace a bigamist, sailing his first trip in a dago tramp's stock-hold. They—"

"Whiz!" came the ax, winking as it span downward throught the southern sunlight. The mate dodged it deftly, and it skated along the decks between two shrinking lines of men, and then plucking a greenheart belaying-pin from the rail, he ran forward and swung himself into the fore rigging.

He went up the ratlines at racing speed, and the naked man on the crosstrees leaped to his feet, and stood balancing there with one hand on the starboard topmost shroud, swaying to the roll of the ship.

"You are bringing me food," he screamed; "you shall not make me lose my high-class soul by forcing me to break my fast. I will swim to Liverpool, and report you to the Board of Trade."—And with that, waiting cannily till the Norman Towers rolled to starboard, and the deep blue of the Sargasso Sea lay beneath him, hejumped outward, and dived feet foremost.

Mr. Kettle's action was prompt enough. Even while the madman was in mid-air, he hailed the officer of the watch to lower away the starboard quarterboat. Then slipping down himself, he ran across the decks and looked over the rail. He knew that Mr. Little could swim and only wished to reassure himself that he had not been stunned by his dive.

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## Assassination of King George of Greece

LAST week's Blade merely mentioned the fact that King George of Greece had been assassinated at Saloniki. It was press time when the news of the tragedy came over the wires. The king was shot Tuesday afternoon, March 18, and died within half an hour after the attack.

His assailant, Aleko Schinas, is supposed to be demented and it is doubted here that the assassination has any special political significance.

The premeditation of the regicide appears to be established by the fact that Schinas lurked in hiding. He rushed out when his royal victim was only six feet from his hiding place and fired point blank into the back of the king. The shooting occurred only a few yards from police headquarters.

Lieutenant Colonel Francoudis, the king's aide-de-camp, who was walking beside his royal master, immediately drew his revolver. Schinas turned and fired at the aide-de-camp, but the shot went wild. Two Cretan military policemen who were acting as an escort to the king dashed at Schinas and pinioned his arms before he could fire again.

When Francoudis saw that the assassin had been arrested he turned to King George, who he supposed had escaped unscathed, and was horrified to find his majesty stretched on the roadway.

Francoudis raised the stricken monarch's head from the pavement, but the king was already unconscious and he never spoke again.

Soldiers who had been summoned by the shots lifted the king from the ground and carried him to a hospital. He expired on the way without recovering consciousness.

When questioned by the police, Schinas truculently replied: "You have courts. I will speak there."

Pressed to say who he was and what was the motive of his crime, he replied: "Take me to the police station so that the crowd shall not maltreat me. I will speak there."

On reaching the police station he gave his name and a few particulars about himself.

Interest in the troubled Balkans has been waning, but the news of this wholly unexpected tragedy has caused an instant and immense sensation. It was not generally known that the king of Greece was still remaining at Saloniki, as nothing had been heard of his movements for several days.

The strained relations between the Greek and Bulgarian contingents at Saloniki gave grounds for the fears that the assassination of King George might have been incident to a clash between the allies, but a message received at midnight dispelled such apprehensions by identifying the assassin as a Greek degenerate. Another dispatch referred to him as demented.

Had Greek ambitions been disappointed in the present war it was considered very likely that vengeance would have been wrecked on the royal family, but that, at the moment of the supreme triumph of its arms, the

THE LATE KING GEORGE I. OF GREECE

king should be stricken down seems on appalling irony of fate.

Fortunately for the dynasty the Crown Prince Constantine has covered himself with distinction in the campaign, so that his succession is assured. Until the events of the present war it commonly was predicted that the death of the present king would see a republic established at Athens.

**New King Issues Message.**

From the fortress of Janina, which he recently captured from the Turks, King Constantine addressed his message to the Greek army on the day following the assassination. It was as follows:

"The impious outrage on the sacred person of King George deprives us of our leader at a moment very critical for the Hellenic nation. I am called by Providence to succeed my never-to-be-forgotten father on the throne over which he so long shed lustre and honor.

"I bring this news to the knowledge of my army, to which I have devoted my whole life and to which unsuccessful and successful wars have indissolubly bound me. I declare to it that marching always at its head, I will never cease to concentrate my solicitude on my land and sea forces whose glorious exploits have brought renown to our country."

Constantine, who will be known as King Constantine XIII., is a true Greek in all ways. He was born on the sacred soil of Hellas, was brought up in the language and in all the peculiar traditions of the strangely interesting people of that country, and is the central figure in a wonderful prophecy which existed in Greece centuries ago.

**Married Kaiser's Sister.**

Constantine was born August 2, 1868, and married October 27, 1889, Princess Sophia, a sister of Emperor William II. of Germany. There is said to have been a tradition or prophecy which makes the new king almost sacred in the eyes of the Greeks. It was to this effect:

During the long night of national subjection to the cruelties of the Turks the Greeks kept alive a tradition which was passed from father to son with religious scrupulosity to the effect that the day would come when the Turkish power would be destroyed and the crescent be replaced by the cross on the Church of St. Sophia at Constantinople. This would be brought about when there would arise a new Constantine and a new Sophia to be the king and queen of the Greeks. Then would the ancient empire be restored and the glory of the cross once more be seen in the City of Byzantium.

## CONGRESS AND THE CABINET

THERE are those who seem to believe that to enable members of the cabinet to appear before either house would not be the complete parliamentary system of other governments, because it would not give to the cabinet the power to direct and control legislative action. Perry Belmont writes in the North American Review. The parliamentary systems of Europe lead to much more instability than does ours. There the cabinet is in effect the executive; also, in that respect, a little more than a committee of the legislature to carry into execution its general policy, and an adverse vote is usually taken to mean a change of government.

Under the existing law organizing the treasury department enacted September 2, 1789, the secretary of the treasury can at any time be required by resolution to appear in person before congress. * * *

The President is invested with the authority to make treaties and appoint foreign ambasshdors and ministers with the consent of the senate. Congress has not the power to compel the secretary of state to give information respecting such matters nor could the lawmaking power require the secretary of state to appear in person before the house of representatives and give such information as might be required in respect to an appointment, the negotiations of a treaty, or in respect to the management of the foreign affairs of the country.

The secretary of state is not required by the law creating his office to make report or give information to either branch of the legislature. Nor does he report to either the President or congress, but whatever is said in respect to foreign affairs is said directly by the President of the United States in his annual message. But as to matters relating to the department of state, there appears to be no reason why the congress should not claim and exercise the same power which is established in the law organizing the treasury.

To the executive is given the power to carry out in secret certain measures of foreign policy. Yet if congress should open its doors and invite the secretary of state to the floor, even in regard to such questions, certain things which in his opinion ought to be made known could in this way be communicated, and perhaps with greater facility and dispatch than at present.

### The Seasons.

When comes Spring?
When blithest the robins sing,
And the violet has her hour?
Not till the heart's in flower
Is it Spring.

When comes June?
At the time of the thrush's tune,
Of all beauties below and above?
When reddens the rose love,
Then comes June.

Autumn's when?
When grasses rasp in the fen
And the face of the field is wan?
When joys are faded, gone,
Autumn's then.

Winter hoar,
Comes he with the storm-wind's roar,
And all lorn nature's ruth?
'Tis winter when love and youth
Are no more. —John Vance Cheney.

## The Golden Eggs

A CERTAIN man had a goose which laid him a golden egg every day. A foolish friend advised him to kill the goose and realize at once on the future.

"No," said the man, "that is not the proper way. I know a beter." Thereupon he organized a company and issued stocks and bonds which he sold at a good round figure. Then he gave out the report that the goose had quit laying. This enabled him to buy the stock back at a low figure. Then he gave out the report that the goose was laying two eggs a day, which enabled him again to sell the stock at a big advance. After he had repeated this process a number of times he was so rich that he didn't care what the goose laid or when. Accordingly, he invested his wealth in gilt-edged securities, journeyed abroad and went in for art.

Macaulay's Characterization of Johnson.

## Highest and Low in United States

The maximum difference in elevation of land in the United States is 14,777 feet, according to the United States geological survey. Mount Whitney, the highest point, is 14,501 feet above sea level, and a point in Death Valley is 276 feet below sea level. These two points, which are both in California, are less than 90 miles apart. This difference is small, however, as compared with the figures for Asia. Mount Everest rises 29,002 feet above sea level, whereas the shores of the Dead Sea are 1,290 feet below sea level, a total difference in land heights of 30,292 feet. Mount Everest has never been climbed.

The greatest ocean depth yet found is 32,088 feet, at a point about 40 miles north of Mindanao, in the Philippine Islands. The ocean bottom at this point is therefore more than 11½ miles below the summit of Mount Everest.

The difference in the land heights in Europe is about 15,868 feet.

**Little Girl Farmer.**

For her ability in producing crops that paid her $53 from a tenth of an acre of land by her own efforts, Miss Viola Lewis, a little Arkansas farmer girl, was presented with a diploma of merit by the Secretary of Agriculture, James Wilson. She went to Washington with the prize-winning boy corn growers as a representative of the Girls' Canning Clubs. Unlike the other girl members of the canning clubs, she did not devote her efforts to one crop, but raised a succession of crops of tomatoes, beans, beets, and turnips. Some of her products she sold fresh, and canned the rest.

## New King Has a Fine Family

In back, left to right—Prince Paul, Prince Alexander, Prince George (now crown prince) and Princess Helene.

In front, left to right—Queen Sophia, King Constantine and Princess Irene.

## Minds Not Created Equal

From Alexander Campbell's "Mind, the Master Force."

THE inequalities of mind are numerous and various as the inequalities of matter. One mind sports with worlds—another with atoms. One man perches himself on Mount Chimborazo and communes with the stars; another delves into the earth in search of hidden treasures, and buries himself in mines and minerals. One man moves along with the tardiness of the ox in the drudgery of life; another ascends in a balloon and soars above the clouds. Here we find a Newton measuring the comet's path, a Franklin stealing fire from heaven, a Columbus in search of a new world; and there a sportsman with his hounds in quest of a fox. One delights in his revelling and song, in riotous living and the giddy dance; another, in locking up his golden pelf in an iron chest. Talk we, then, of minds equally endowed by nature or improved by art! No such minds ever composed any community. Varieties, all manner of varieties, are essential to society. The world needs the rich and the poor, the young and the aged, the learned and the unlearned, the healthy and the infirm, the cheerful and the melancholic. These call forth all our energies, open channels for all the social virtues, lay the basis of our various responsibilities and constitute much of the happiness of this life. They furnish opportunities for communicating and receiving benefits.

## What "Ben Hur" Did for Author

Detroit Free Press.

BEFORE Gen. Lew Wallace went to Turkey he had achieved literary fame through the novel 'Ben-Hur,'" said on old-timer. "His reverent and effective treatment of a delicate theme and the marvelous pictures he revealed of the people and customs of the Nazarene set him at once before the world as a student and a genius, and entitled him to a place in the world's gallery of immortals.

"I have often thought that it was the reading of this book which induced President Garfield to apoint General Wallace minister to Turkey. One of the Harper brothers confirms this in the following conversation:

"'I called on President Garfield one evening. He came into the room with the book "Ben-Hur" in his hand and fingers between the pages.

"'Do you know anything about the composition of this book you have published?' asked the President.

"'I think I do,' I replied.

"'Well,' said Garfield, 'It has made a good impression on me. I offered Wallace a place in South America, which he would not take. I think I will send him to Turkey in the place made vacant by Horace Maynard's death. "Ben-Hur" indicates that he can improve his opportunities in the east.'

"I do not doubt in the least that this conversation actually occurred, for the general himself once told me that if there had been no 'Ben-Hur' he probably would never have had a chance to see and study Turkey as minister from this country.

"The general liked the dark-skinned people, and deep Christian that he was, he never wounded their tender religious feelings and sympathized with them all their human weaknesses, which would make him a man of great service at this time when poor Turkey is being pressed so hard by the Balkan allied states."

## Apple Rust

Harper's Weekly.

WHEN the cider press is in operation there may be observed certain deep, rich, golden brown or golden red colors assumed by the juices of the apples as they gather in the receptacles. This characteristic hue of cider is almost as pleasing to the eye as the flavor of the fresh, sweet juice is to the sense of taste.

A French chemist has shown that the apple containing an oxidizing ferment which produces the brownish or reddish color of the cider. The manner in which this substance produces oxidation can readily be observed by any one who cuts an apple open and leaves it exposed for a short time to the air. The cut surface gradually turns red as the oxygen of the air unites with the juice; in a word, the apple rusts.

Rusting of an apple may also be brought about by simply bruising the fruit without breaking the skin. Everybody knows that apples that have fallen violently to the ground show red or rusty spots underneath the bruised rind. In this case the oxygen is derived from the air contained in the ducts or interstices among the tissues of the fruit, and it becomes active through the breaking of the cells that inclose the oxidizing ferment.

If an apple is cooked before its skin is broken its tissues do not oxidize when exposed to the air. This is explained on the supposition that the oxidizing properties of the ferment are destroyed by heat.

**Good Breeding Spoils the Mouser.**

London Daily Mail.

The old adage that "breeding always tells," does not appear to apply to cats. At the show of the Southern Counties Cat Club there were nearly 500 show cats and each showed every sign of gentility. But the well bred cat gives the impression that it is careless of mice and disdainful of the plebeian pursuits of the ordinary kitchen cat.

Miss G. Cheatham, whose blue Persian Oaklands Steadfast was pronounced the best cat in the show, said: "I breed exhibition cats simply for the pleasure of producing the most perfect cat, not for any ulterior purpose such as one has in breeding greyhounds or bloodhounds or spaniels. Highly bred cats are no more intelligent or clever than ordinary back garden cats, and certainly many of mine will not so much as look at a mouse."

A four-mile tunnel through the Selkirks, built at a cost of $12,000,000, will eliminate the delays caused by landslides experienced by a Canadian railroad.

## HE COMES UP SMILING

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Chapter XVI.—Continued.

The Watermelon drew a bit nearer. "Billy, Billy," said he softly.

"I think it must be terrible to worry about money," Billy hurried on. "It's not worth it."

"I'm not worrying about money, kid," said the Watermelon with a laugh. "I have a bunch. What made you think I was?"

"Twice tonight you've counted your money."

"Esau's bowl of pottage," sneered the Watermelon, turning unconsciously to the old familiarity with the Bible. "Say, Billy, if he found he didn't like his pottage, could he give it back and get his birthright again?"

Billy blushed. She was not sure who Esau was. In a dim way she remembered the name and vaguely associated it with the Bible. "Couldn't he have gotten something else?" she asked judiciously.

"No," said the Watermelon. "He had nothing more to sell."

"What did he sell?"

"His birthright—for a mess of pottage."

"Why'd he do that?"

"He was stony broke, he wanted something to eat, see, and he sold his all for a mess of pottage. Now, if he found he didn't like his pottage, could he have given it back and gotten his birthright again?"

"Yes, indeed," chirped Billy. "I don't see why not. But why didn't he get something better than a mess of pottage?"

"Don't ask me, kid. But, I guess you're right. No one can keep your birthright unless you're willing they should."

"I usually know more about the Bible," stammered Billy, fearful of the impression her ignorance must have made. "I know more about Moses and Ruth."

The Watermelon nodded. "You see, I was raised on the Bible," he said kindly.

"Yes," agreed Billy, "and I was raised on Mellen's food."

A step was heard on the floor above and she started hastily. "I guess I had better be going," she whispered. "Good night, Jerry."

"Good night, Billy."

She slipped away and the Watermelon was alone.

"She's right. If you don't like your pottage, you can get your birthright back. I can leave a note," he thought and laughed bitterly. "Haven't a thing, name, clothes, honor. Sneak away like a whipped cur. Gosh, I'll be hanged if I can't do something respectable. I will tell them in the morning and they can do and say what they please. If you've sold your birthright to the Old Man, you have to go after it in person to get it back. Why the deuce did I fall in love with Billy? I had fun in the beginning—but now!"

When the Watermelon awoke next morning he lay for a time, stretching and yawning in the comfortable bed and the pea-green silk pajamas he had found in the suitcase in Batchelor's car. He glanced at the general slumbering beside him, his mouth open and his round fat face as pink as the pink cotton pajamas he wore.

"Here's me in silk and him in cotton," thought the Watermelon. "He couldn't tell a lie to save his soul, and I— Stick to your pink cotton, general," he whispered and slipped quietly out of bed. He crossed the room to the bureau where he had left the watch the night before to see the time. The watch was not there and he turned to look in his trousers pockets, thinking he might have left it in them. But his pockets were empty, save for a few old keys, his knife and "the makings." Money, watch, cigarette case, all were gone. He turned to the bureau. Cuff links and stick pin were also gone. Gingerly he felt in the general's pockets. They, too, were empty. He stood a moment in the middle of the room in his peagreen silk pajamas and gently stroked his back hair, then he chuckled softly and glanced at the bed.

The general was awake, looking at him with half-shut, sleepy eyes.

"Robbed, General," said the Watermelon.

"Robbed?" repeated the general, sitting up.

"Everything gone," said the Watermelon, "or I'll eat my hat."

The general rose and they made a systematic search through empty pockets and rifled bureau.

Bartlett came in gloomily. Without a cent among them they could not continue the trip. They would have to make for the nearest telegraph station and wire for help, and Batchelor, his whereabouts known to his brokers, would probably receive an urgent call to return at once.

"Robbed?" asked the general.

"They left me my name," said Bartlett grimly. "Who steals your purse steals trash, I suppose. We have that comfort."

"Not my purse," said the Watermelon. "Mine had money in it."

"My watch," said the general, "was a family heirloom. My great grandfather carried it."

"I wonder if the girls lost anything?" said Bartlett.

"We will have to go to the nearest telegraph station and telegraph for money," declared the general.

"I suppose so," growled Bartlett, and trailed from the room to finish dressing.

They found the girls in the dining room, unaware of what had befallen them. They had slept late and the clock on the mantel registered 9:30 as the three men filed into the room. The general was calm, pompous, austere, but Henrietta had not lived with him for 35 years without having acquired the ability to read his every mood.

"Father," she asked, "what's the matter? Have your sins found you out?"

The general waited for the slatternly maid servant to give them their breakfast and leave the room before he spoke.

"We have been robbed," he said calmly, casually, as one would mention the weather. His tones implied that he was perfectly willing to listen to reason, but that he knew who the thief was and anything stated to the contrary was not reason.

"I spend my whole life, father," said Henrietta, "finding the articles you have been robbed of. Your system is all right. You have a place for everything, but you never remember the place."

The Watermelon pulled out the linings of his empty pockets and held out his wrists that they might see the cuffs tied together by a bit of string.

Henrietta and Billy stared.

"I have never had a thief in my room," cried Billy. "I would like to see how it feels."

"I'm not robbed," said Henrietta, making a hurried examination of the small sized trunk she carried as a hand bag.

"It's the stable boy," said the general. "I noticed him carefully last night. He would not look any one in the face."

"He goes home every night," objected Henrietta. "Mrs. Parker told me so."

"That's no reason he couldn't come come back," said the general.

"No," said Henrietta. "But because a boy won't look at you is no reason to say that he is a thief."

"He does look at you, anyway," said Billy innocently. "He looked at me."

"I was clever in him to take our check books," said Bartlett.

"He will forge our names," declared the general. "I made a check out to pay for the board here, signed it, too, I remember, and then I found some cash and thought I would use that and went to bed and forgot to destroy the check. I know it was the stable boy for my room has a balcony in front, over the porch, and last night it was so warm I left the door open."

"Maybe it was," agreed Henrietta. "I hate to suspect him, though."

CHAPTER XVII.

**Alphonse Rides Away.**

"The stable boy would have access to the back of the house, too," said the general, who felt that if he had not become a general and had escaped being a master mechanic, he would have been a famous detective.

"Yes," agreed the Watermelon. "But I don't think it is the boy. I was out until after 11, and just before I came in I saw him drive up with the girl. They had been out to some dance and he left her and drove on."

The girl appeared in the doorway wiping a plate, slip-shod and awkward. Henrietta blushed, the general was painfully confused and the other three turned their attention hastily to their food.

"Want anything?" asked the girl.

"No, thank you," replied Henrietta gently, feeling that in judging the stable boy she had somehow injured the girl.

The girl lingered a moment, glanced significantly at the clock, and went out.

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## A DEATH-DEFIER'S LIFE

New York Evening Sun.

TO RODMAN LAW, parachute artist and skyscraper scaler, people and their doings are incidentals, and yet as important to him as they are to the "best seller," whose success is determined by how many of his books get into circulation among the public. People, for Rodman Law, exist chiefly as audiences in moving picture shows where they will see and applaud the representations of his daring feats, and thus makes the moving picture people demand more daring feats of him, for which they will pay him more thousands of dollars. Law's world instead of being peopled with people is peopled with parachutes, aeroplanes, several thousand feet of air space, brick walls of skyscrapers and—the moving picture machine.

Then, too, Law has had dealings with the New York police. They resolved that if he was fool enough to try some crazy stunts within the city's limits they were not going to be fools enough to let him do it.

What was Law to do? This business of parachute descents was Law's bread and butter. Law decided that he had to make a living. So he slipped into an automobile, threw a rug over his tell-tale parachute apparatus and passed several patrolmen on his way to the Williamsburg Bridge without their getting suspicious. He jumped off the bridge, made a graceful descent to the water, with the moving picture men of course using their picture taking apparatus all the while from the deck of a hired tug. And so Law kept the wolf from the door for once.

Another time Law tried a descent from the Queensboro Bridge with two policemen rushing up to stop him and Law laughing derisively at them. He jumped all right, but his parachute wouldn't work, and Law just threw away the bar of the parachute that he held and jammed his arms down hard and stiff against his sides. He went into the water in a clean jump with hardly a splash. The tug with the moving picture men on it was 100 feet away, and presently Law was fished unharmed out of the current.

This young man, who thinks nothing of jumping off bridges and climbing up the front of sixteen story buildings for the sake of earning a few dollars from moving pictures, once made a parachute descent from an airship 2,500 feet in the air at Oakwood Heights, Staten Island. He attempted in a nonchalant manner to smoke a cigarette the while he was descending, but had to give it up. He struck ground five miles from where he had started out.

Of late Law has to offer more action, for his old and simple tricks are familiar. So Law has begun to fiddle with explosives. Last November he sailed out over the North river in a balloon, blew the gas bag up with dynamite and dropped into the river unhurt.

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The Argonaut.

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## He Comes Up Smiling

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"Who could it be?" asked Billy, pleasantly excited.

"Why, this is terrible," said Henrietta. "If the boy didn't do it, there is no one else who could have, but the family."

"It looks that way," admitted the Watermelon.

"What shall we do?" gasped Billy. "What shall we pay them with."

The slatternly girl again appeared in the doorway much to the general's nervousness.

"Want anything?" she asked, and glanced again at the clock.

"No," said Henrietta. "No, thank you."

"I will speak to Parker," declared the general as the girl left.

"I wish you didn't have to," sighed Henrietta. "It's horrid to lose your money, but it must be much worse to need money so that you would steal it."

"But that's the test of honesty," declared the general. "To need money and not steal."

"I know," admitted Henrietta, pushing aside her coffee cup. "I do admire strong people who can resist, but I'm so much sorrier for the weak who can't. It's pitiful, that's what it is."

"Yes," cried Billy, as usual carried away by her feelings. "Let's not say a thing."

The door opened for the third time, but instead of the ineffective maid-servant, the farmer's wife, fat, red-cheeked, good-natured, entered.

She approached the table and smiled jovially from one to the other.

"I hope you liked everything," she said with a gentle hint in her tones that they had lingered around the breakfast table long enough. "Have you had plenty, General? Can't I get you some more coffee, Miss Crossman?"

"No, thank you," said the general, confused and unhappy.

Mrs. Parker smiled still. "I am glad you liked everything. Your man should be back soon. He hasn't had any breakfast yet."

"Where'd he go?" asked the general, feeling that that was safe enough ground.

"My husband thinks that he went out in one of the automobiles very early, for he found one of them gone."

"Did your husband see him go?" asked Bartlett.

"Oh, no, but he thinks he must have gone because there is only one automobile—"

"Oh, yes," said Henrietta, and stared at the others, fearful of reading her own crushing suspicion in their eyes.

Alphonse, the quiet, blase, peerless Alphonse? Could it be he? That Alphone had gone for an early morning spin lured by the dew on the clover fields, by the sweet chorus of awakening birds, borne by the unsuppressible desire to see the shy, sweet advent of a new day creeping up the flushed and rosy sky, was wholly out of the question. Alphonse's soul, in the early morning hours, was filled only with the beauty and glory of bed. The general had always been forced to arouse his serving man and the process had often been painful, calling for sternness and suppressed wrath on the general's part. Alphonse a thief was more believable than Alphonse getting out of bed uncalled.

Billy was the first to speak.

"The car," she whispered.

"Oh, yes," said the landlady hastily, not quite sure what had happened or was to happen by the expression on the faces before her. "Oh, yes," reassuringly, "[illegible] the car. My husband wasn't [illegible] he went—"

The general rose, [illegible] face red with anger. "If he has [illegible] my car," he thundered, "I shall have him prosecuted whether Henrietta likes it or not."

"It's an outrage," sympathized Bartlett. "We can telegraph the police."

"Oh," moaned Henrietta, "I did love that car."

The landlady sought to reassure them in a calm, placid manner that savored of a big, gentle eyed cow. "Why, he has only gone for a ride. He went—"

The general paused in the doorway. "He went last night, madam," said he coldly, and slightly dramatically, for the general never believed in spoiling a good story by a mild delivery. "And he took not only the car, but all our money."

Led by the general and followed by the landlady, they made for the barn. There, in the middle of the floor where last night two cars had stood side by side, a red and a blue, was now only one, a big, blue Packard. A few hens stepped daintily here and there, around and under it, while the cat cleaned her paws contentedly from her seat on the running board.

The general stopped in the doorway and stared. His car? And such a wave of thanksgiving rushed over him that it was not his car that was missing that he felt he owed Alphonse a debt of gratitude and forgave him immediately.

"My car," said he, and chuckled with relief.

Where's mine?" demanded Bartlett, growing red and angry.

"Where's Alphonse?" suggested the Watermelon significantly.

"Alphonse was very fond of me," said the general with some little pride as he patted his car tenderly.

"Yes," agreed Bartlett, "I can see see that. He demonstrated it fully. I am glad he didn't love you or he might have killed Billy and me."

The landlord, followed by the slatternly maid servant, and the shifty eyed stable boy, trailed into the barn.

"Man gone off with your car?" asked the landlord. "I locked up last night about 12. He must have left before then."

"The general's man did," said Bartlett, who felt that the general was in some way to blame.

"He has taken all our money," said Henrietta.

"A thief, eh?" said the landlord.

"Can't we follow the car by the tracks?" asked Henrietta. She went to the door and peered eagerly at the many wheel tracks in the dust of the drive.

The general waved the suggestion scornfully aside. "You can't tell whether the tracks are coming or going," said he.

"All detectives do," said Billy, following Henrietta to the door.

"I'm sorry," whispered the Watermelon in Billy's ear.

Billy laughed. "We have more cars at home," said she. "It doesn't be me at all. That's the trouble of being rich you can't be robbed and feel badly about it."

"Batchelor, you say that you were up until after eleven," said the general, feeling that the occasion called for intelligence. "Did you see Alphonse go out?"

"No," said the Watermelon.

"The landlord says, however, that he must have gone out before twelve," went on the general. "Then don't you see how Alphonse could not have stolen the money? Those thefts were not committed until after twelve."

"I don't see how you work that out," said Henrietta, puzzling over it with knit brows.

"Don't you see, Henrietta, that if Alphonse stole our money after twelve he could not have gone out in the car before eleven, so if he went out in the car before twelve, he did not steal the money. He either stole the money or the car."

"Maybe he didn't take the money," said Henrietta, feeling vaguely and disappointedly that she was not a person with detective-like instincts.

"You see," said the general, "if Alphonse took the car, he did not take the money; if he took the money, he did not take the car."

"He certainly did take the money," snapped the farmer.

"And my car," added Bartlett angrily.

"He could not have taken both," declared the general.

"You were robbed last night weren't you?" demanded the farmer. "Well, then?"

"And my car is gone, isn't it?" demanded Bartlett.

"Yes, yes," acknowledged the general, feeling that every word he said only made the other two angrier, but still clinging to his deductions as to his life's principles. "Yes, of course; but Alphonse could not have done both. He went off with the car before 11, so he could not have robbed us after 12—"

"Sir," interrupted the farmer with a quiet dignity that was impressive, "do you accuse any of us of stealing?"

"No, no," protested the general, now hopelessly rattled. "But if Alphonse stole the money—"

"Alphonse swiped both," said the Watermelon, and that settled it as far as the general was concerned, for the general had boundless faith in the young man's deductive abilities. "I went in about 11. He took the car out, ran it down the road a bit and then came back and sneaked our things."

"Certainly," said Bartlett, who could not help feeling irritated with the general for the fault of his man.

"A car is a car, Billy," said Bartlett coldly, refusing to be comforted for the ruin of his plan to keep Batchelor away from the city over Saturday.

"Yes," agreed Henrietta sympathetically, "any one hates to lose a car."

"But when you have seven," objected Billy.

"We haven't got them here, have we?" asked Bartlett.

"No, but we have one, and that's enough for five," declared Billy, finding the usual difficulty in persuading people to count their blessings. "We didn't need two, anyway."

"Yes, we did," said the Watermelon, thinking of the tonneau with only Billy and him, the general in front completely absorbed with the car.

"Why?" asked Billy.

"Why," stammered the Watermelon, who no longer cared to flirt with Billy and who had spoken without thinking, "why, so the general and your father could each run a car," he explained weakly.

"Oh, yes," chirped Billy. "What will they do now?"

The Watermelon turned and glanced out of the wide doors, down the tree shaded road, and thought pityingly of the unfortunate Alphonse, gone off at the wrong time, with the whole country side on the watch for a lone youth in a big red touring car. That the car was a different make from the one they were hunting for would not impress the sheriffs so forcibly as the fact that the youth also carried a timepiece as big as a clock, along with a cigarette case, cuff links and stickpin, all marked plainly and beyond question, with the damning initials, W. H. B.

The Watermelon laughed softly, and glancing at Billy, laughed again. With Bartlett going directly back to the city, he would not have to confess to make things right. He could leave them at the telegraph office and drift away on some pretext or another.

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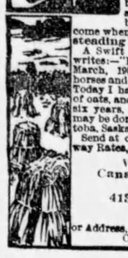

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions are submitted to readers for answers. We do this in the hope of getting the results of actual and successful experiments, which will be the most valuable answers.

Can any reader of The Blade give a remedy for a disease among turkeys called the "blackhead"?—T. Bronson, Michigan.

I have a piece of lowland that I have been told is adapted to cranberries. Wish somebody would tell me what kind of soil is best, where I could get plants, and how to cultivate them.—P., Otsego, Mich.

Somebody please tell me what is wrong with my chickens and turkeys, and if anything will cure them. They act as if they were crazy, run around and pick at everything, as if they were hungry, but never seem to eat anything. Again they will sit in one place, unless you scare them up, and they fly or run away. The ones that died were sick about a week. Their feathers are ruffled and their bowels act about the same as when they have cholera.—Mrs. H., Friars Hill, W. Va.

Some of my hens have broken feathers which cause their backs to get sore. Can any reader tell me what causes it and give a remedy?—M., Toronto, O.

I would like to know how to destroy groundmoles, which are undermining the sod of my lawn.—S., Burgettstown, Pa.

Will someone please tell me what to do for a horse that is hidebound? Also have a cow that has had wheezes for several years, but is getting worse since fresh the last time. Seems to get thinner and weaker. Can someone tell me what to do for her? And again, will someone please give a cure for white diarrhoe in little chicks?—W., Camden, O.

**Lime for Gooseberries.**

Some lady has asked how to kill worms on tame gooseberry bushes. I have used lime and it has proven successful. Use in the early morning, while the dew is on the foliage.—Mrs. D., Canton, N. C.

**Paint for the Barn.**

The following is re-printed by request of one of the Farmstead readers:

Seeing a request for barn paint in these columns I am sending a recipe for what is known as milk paint. Take one gallon of skimmed sweet milk and to this add one and one-half pints of Portland cement and two pints of Venetian red. You can get Venetian red powders at any hardware store for three cents a pound, and it takes five cents' worth or two pounds for each gallon of milk. While you are applying the milk paint to the barn stir it often so as to keep the cement from settling to the bottom of the can. The paint will last for ten years, will never rub off and looks good. It does best on rough lumber. Twenty-five cents' worth of Portland cement and 75 cents' worth of Venetian red powders mixed with milk will paint a large barn completely. As a caution never mix but one gallon of milk at a time or the cement will accumulate on the bottom and the paint will be spoiled. You can use any colored powders in place of Venetian red.—B. Lewis, Ind.

## LIVE STOCK

**Whole Grain for Hogs.**

The advantage of having the hogs do their own grinding may be appreciated when it is learned that experiment stations in Maine, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri and Wisconsin have found that it is more economical to feed whole grain to hogs. George M. Rommel, chief of division of animal husbandry, in talking on the subject, said: "It is beyond anyone to say that an advantage will follow the feeding of corn meal sufficient to pay the cost of grinding. If corn sells on the open market for 50 cents per bushel of 56 pounds, and grinding costs from three cents to five cents per bushel, a saving of 10 per cent by such method would be good economy; but if corn falls to 25 cents, the cost of grinding must be lessened to make the meal feeding profitable." But consideration must be given to the fact that in using the motor not only is the cost of grinding eliminated, but the animals are kept in good physical condition as the result of the exercise which they get. Out at the South Dakota experiment station the animal husbandman has a "hog-motor" in operation—not for the purpose of creating power, but to keep the animals healthy and in growing condition. The "hog-motor" is a machine so burred and constructed that the hog is compelled to grind all the grain before he receives it. There are a number of small openings around the base of a vertical drum just large enough to permit the entrance of the hog's snout. In his anxiety to make a hog of himself the animal roots for the feed in the cylinder and unconsciously causes the drum to revolve, which in turn rubs the burs against the grain, and the grinding operation takes place.

**Health of the Cow.**

We have hundreds of farmers who are fostering the disease in their family milk cow, apparently with no inkling of the truth until the cow succumbs to the disease. It is expensive business for a dairyman to find tuberculosis cows in his herd, and this fact has kept many of them from making any attempts to test their cows for fear of finding a reactor which would have to be disposed of at once.

For a grain feed we give four parts bran, four parts corn meal and one part oil meal right after the milk, twice a day. When there is plenty of good pasture we omit one feed of grain and all the hay. They have plenty of water summer and winter. We always feed from clean vessels and each calf is fed separately. Cold milk is one cause of scours and whenever the milk has a chance to get cold we warm it before feeding. When a calf gets scours we scald its milk and then cool it before feeding, doing this for two or three feeds.—O. B. Smith in Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean.

## THE ORCHARD

**Efficient Sprays.**

No fungicide has been found that holds disease in check as well as bordeaux mixture. When showers follow soon after an application of bordeaux the leaves are likely to be spotted and the fruit somewhat rusted. However, the injury to fruit is seldom great enough to be of importance when apples are sold in barrels. If extra fancy fruit is wanted for sale in boxes the use of bordeaux seems questionable.

It is largely to avoid spray injury that lime-sulphur has replaced bordeaux. No one ever questioned the high value of bordeaux as a fungicide. The trouble is it does too well, reaching the fruit as well as fungus. In New Hampshire experience commercial bordeaux has been found not as satisfactory as homemade. The best formula of bordeaux for the apple orchard is 3-3-50, that is, three pounds each of copper sulphate and lime to fifty gallons water.

Lime-sulphur has proved a satisfactory substitute for bordeaux in most cases in experiments at the New Hampshire station. It caused little or no injury and in some seasons controlled the disease as well as bordeaux. Two sprayings of lime-sulphur were entirely inadequate to hold scab in check. When diseases are serious and the season a rainy one, more applications of lime-sulphur will be required than of bordeaux.

As a poison for leaf-chewing insects arsenate of lead is the only thing that has proved satisfactory for use with lime-sulphur. The iron sulphide mixture gave good results the one season it was used and is apparently worth further trial. The Baldwin is apparently more susceptible to spray injury than the McIntosh.

The number of sprayings required varies with the season and the diseases and general care of the orchard The removal of all cankers will greatly decrease the leaf spot, and the destruction of the fallen leaves is of value in controlling both scab and leaf spot. The application of a strong fungicide before the leaves are out and one of regular strength just before the flower buds open will decrease the number of sprayings needed later.—Professor Charles Brooks.

**Tree Pests.**

Entomologists of the Maine agricultural experiment station have been seeking to ascertain a previously unknown point in the life cycle of the woolly aphid, and have made the discovery that this cycle includes three generations which are passed in what is known as the "elm leaf curl."

The disfigured and curled leaves of the elm in the spring are everywhere as familiar as the woolly masses on the apple bark, but the elm generations have not previously been known to have any connection with the apple pest and it has all along borne a distinct name.

It is a fact familiar to students of this family of insects that certain aphids live for a few generations (usually wingless) upon one food plant and then produce a winged generation that migrates to an entirely different species of plant for the summer, where it establishes a series of summer generations, and by fall produces a second migrant generation that flies back to the original food plant. It is here the true sexes occur and that the winter egg is deposited—stages absolutely essential to the continuation of the species.

The wool aphid of the apple is such a migratory species with two distinct types of food plants—the elm, or original food plant, on which the true sexes occur in the fall and deposit the overwintering egg, and on which it lives in the curled leaves in the spring, and the apple, to which it migrates from the elm leaf curl and where it establishes itself as a bark feeder during the summer.

This species, in addition, produces in the fall a generation that passes the winter at the roots of the apple, a circumstance which has led to the assumption that the apple alone was concerned in the life cycle of this pest, and the elm leaf curl which shelters the wolf in sheep's clothing has been previously unsuspected of other danger than that threatening the elm leaf itself, which, except in the case of young trees, is not usually great.

But the discovery of the annual migration of a fresh infestation from the elm to the apple and the knowledge that the elm generation are an essential portion of the life cycle of the woolly aphid of the apple, and that this species cannot continue without access to the elm, put a new significance upon the economic status of the elm leaf curl.

## THE GARDEN

**Growing Violets.**

You should have no trouble at all raising violets from seed, says a horticulturist. Sow the seed any time in the early spring in a shady corner, north exposure if possible, in a rich, light soil. If you want only a few plants, however, it would be far more satisfactory to follow in a way the florists' methods for obtaining the plants for winter flowering.

In the first place, the writer might say that right now would be just the time to buy plants of catalogue houses, and if you would add one-third or one-half the catalogue price, any firm would be glad to select for you plants that are full of buds, as they are at this time of year.

Of course, the plants should be shipped with the ball of earth, but 15 or 20 cents added would cover the cost of mailing in this way, or for the minimum expressage of 35 cents a dozen plants could be sent you. Getting the plants now would give you the advantage of this season's flowers.

The florist plants out these young plants in May in a rather porus, well-enriched soil—if somewhat sandy, all the better—in an open location, and by fall they will make plants large enough for four to six inch pots. After the plants are potted great care is necessary in watering, as any neglect or overdoing in this particular interferes with healthy development and invites disease.

Cleanliness, light and plenty of fresh air are necessary to the vigor of the plant and productiveness of flowers. Frequent stirring of the soil keeps it open and sweet. Dusting with tobacco dust will keep down the black aphis, and that the plants may not be subject to the worst of violet diseases, the black spot, care must be taken that the plants are not subjected to sudden changes in temperature, especially should the soil be too wet.

A night temperature of 40 to 45 degrees and a day temperature of from 45 to 55 degrees is warm enough. One should have no trouble raising violets even under unfavorable conditions if the large flowering single varieties are grown. They are the easiest to grow, being of a hardier nature and less susceptible to disease.

## POULTRY

**Young Chick Experience.**

I take my chickens out of the incubator and put them in boxes with a slat nailed in each end three inches from the bottom of the box to upper edge of slat. I have a frame to fit inside the box and rest on the slats. On this frame I tack a piece of flannel and let it hang down loose in the middle so it will rest on the backs of the chicks. On top of this I pile any cloth or a sack to keep them warm.

I do not feed them for 24 hours and then I give them two hard boiled eggs to every 50 chickens, mashing the eggs shell and all. I always use fresh eggs, never saving those from the incubator. I put the chicks' feed on fresh newspapers three or four times a day. I keep them perfectly clean until ready to take out doors. I am very careful to not get them chilled, for a chilled chick nearly always dies.

When they are a week old, if the weather is favorable, I put them out in galvanized coops that have a ventilator on top. It put 25 in a coop. In the daytime I put them in a pen with boards low enough so they will soon learn to jump out and they will then learn the way in and out and will know where to come to when a shower comes up. At night I cover them up in the coop with an old grain sack or anything that will keep them warm.

After they are a day or two old I feed them dry cracked corn, give them grass which I get along the side of the road if there is none in their pen. I keep plenty of fresh water by them all the time. I recommend the galvanized coops to every one. They are easily cleaned and one can sleep at night knowing the rats cannot get the chickens, or if a hard rain comes up they are good and dry. They are not too hot, for in the daytime the chicks are in the pens and at night there is air from the sides and top. I have only lost four from sickness out of 168.—L. M. Mowery, in Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean.

**Stamping Eggs.**

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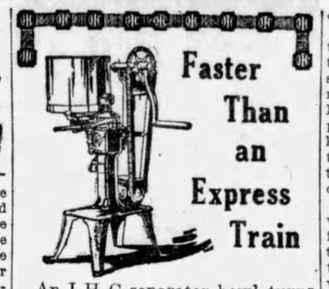
**Set Two Hens at Once.**

It is always advisable where hens are used for hatching eggs to have two hens setting at the same time, since if accidents happen the two broods may be united. It often happens on the hatching day that some of the eggs are slow in hatching. In a case of this sort, one of the hens may take all of the chicks and the other hen be allowed to remain on the unhatched eggs.

Not only is this better for the chicks, but the unhatched eggs stand a far better chance, for a hen when she has chicks under her sits higher and insufficient heat reaches the eggs at a time when they most need heat. Setting hens should always be kept in a room or cellar where they will not be disturbed by other hens. A dark corner is best.

Read the Classified Opportunities column on last page—this issue.

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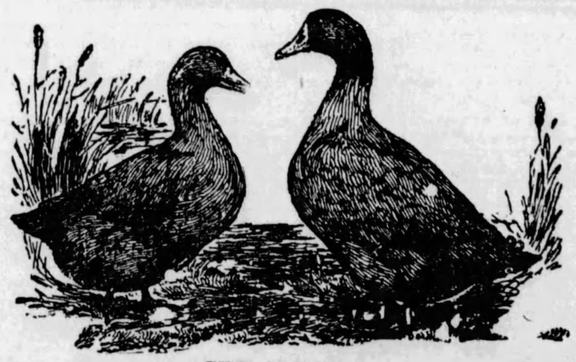

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# 23,329,047 CATHOLICS

### Latest Figures Show 14,312 Churches.

New York, March 20.—There are 15,154,158 Roman Catholics in the United States proper, according to the 1913 edition of the Official Catholic Directory, and a total of 23,329,047 under the protection of the United States flag; there are 7,131,989 in the Philippines, 999,350 in Porto Rico, 11,510 in Alaska, 42,108 in the Hawaiian Islands and 900 on the canal zone.

The figures are supplied by the Catholic bishops and chancellors of the dioceses concerned.

There are 14,312 churches in continental United States. There are 17,945 Roman Catholic priests, three cardinals, 11 active archbishops, three titular archbishops, 104 bishops, two archabbots and 15 abbots in the United States.

There are, according to the same authority, 288 Roman Catholic orphan asylums in which 47,415 orphans are being cared for. Thirty-one states in the union have more than 50,000 Catholic population, including New York, 2, 790,629; Pennsylvania, 1,633,353; Illinois, 1,460,987; Massachusetts, 1,383,435; Ohio, 743,065; Louisiana, 584,000; Michigan, 568,505; Wisconsin, 558,476; New Jersey, 506,000; Missouri, 470,000; Minnesota, 454,797; California, 403,500; Texas, 306,400; Iowa, 266,735; Maryland, 260,000; Indiana, 232,764; Kentucky, 163,228; New Mexico, 140,573; Kansas, 131,000; Nebraska, 118,270; Colorado, 105,000; North Dakota, 99,871; Washington, 90,663; Montana, 87,119; South Dakota, 73,000; Oregon, 66,408.


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**5809—Ladies' Dress.**

This attractive frock is one of the simplest models to carry out. It is made in the kimono fashion with the closing at the front. The skirt is cut in four gores. Contrasting material is used as trimming. Linen, serge, etc., can be used to make this dress.

The pattern 5809 is cut in sizes 32 to 44 inches bust measure. Medium size requires 5¼ yds. of 36-in. material with 1 yd. of 27-in. contrasting goods.

**4430—Ladies' One-Piece Nightgown.**

There is no more charming nightgown than the dainty one-piece kimono model here presented. The gown is made to be slipped on over the head and has underarm seams only. Nainsook, longcloth, cambric or batiste may be used and the design offers a nice suggestion for the use of a little hand embroidery at the front.

The pattern 4430 is cut in sizes 32 to 44 in. bust measure. Medium size will require 4¼ yds. of 36 in. material.

**4500—Children's Rompers.**

The bloomers of this garment and the front of the body are cut in one piece. It can be made with long, three quarter or elbow sleeves. The neck can be high or cut square, as preferred. Any of the wash materials can be used to make this garment.

The pattern 4500 is cut in sizes 2, 4, 6 and 8 years. Medium size requires 2¼ yards of 27 inch material or 1⅞ yards of 36-in. goods.

**6135—Girls' Dress.**

This pretty little frock is one of the newest things in dresses for the small girl. It has five-gored skirt and the closing is at the back. The trimming of insertion is attractively arranged on the garment. Braid or band trimming may be used if desired.

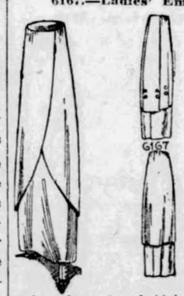
The pattern 6135 is cut in sizes 6 to 12 years. Medium size will require 2⅝ yards of 36 inch material and 4⅜ yards of insertion.

**5156—Misses' Dress.**

This pretty costume is simple to make and may be carried out in serge, cashmere, mohair or silk. The garment closes at the front and the skirt is a two-piece model. This is a very dressy design and a particularly girlish one.

The pattern 6156 is cut in sizes 14, 16 and 18 years. Medium size will require 4 yards of 36-in. material or 3¼ yards of goods 44 in. wide.

**6167.—Ladies' Empire Skirt.**



The skirt herewith illustrated is one of the newest patterns of the season. It is made with a tunic which can be made with or without the seam at the centre or the back. Serge, cheviot or broadcloth can be used to make this skirt.

The pattern 6167, is cut in sizes 22 to 30 inches waist measure. Medium size requires 3 yards of 44-inch material and 2⅝ yards of 36-inch lining.

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# U. S. TO RECOGNIZE CHINESE REPUBLIC

### Wilson's Repudiation of Six Power Loan Project Removes Only Obstacle.

Washington, March 20.—Recognition of the Chinese republic at an early date will be the practical result of the repudiation by President Wilson of the six power loan project.

The withdrawal of the United States from participation in the loan negotiations is regarded by those responsible for the overthrow of the Knox policy as removing the chief obstable which has prevented the recognition of China by the United States.

As recently as last fall there was an "exchange of views" among the powers, which resulted in a general understanding that no one of them would recognize the new republic independently. It was understood that all were to wait until there was a general agreement or the proper time had come for such recognition.

It is now contended by those in sympathy with President Wilson's repudiation of the entire affair that the recognition of the Chinese government would have been delayed interminably under this gentleman's agreement among the powers.

There is no question about the friendly disposition of the American people toward the new government in China, and President Wilson, in his statement of repudiation, has reflected this popular sympathy with the Chinese. He also is convinced that traditional principles of the United States and its long-standing intimate relations with China require this government to manifest its kindly feelings by the practical act of recognition with the new republic.

# FACES MURDER CHARGE

### Widow of Rear Admiral Eaton Is Under Arrest.

Hingham, Mass., March 20.—Mrs. Eaton, widow of Rear Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, was arrested here today charged with the murder of her husband.

The rear admiral is said to have been poisoned. The arrest came on the instigation of District Attorney Barker, of Brockton, after he had received the report of an analysis of the dead man's stomach.

District Attorney Barker announced the arrest in the following statement:

"Mrs. Eaton is under arrest, charged with the murder of her husband, Rear Admiral Joseph Giles Eaton.

"Admiral Eaton did not die a natural death. This fact was communicated to me on March 10 by Professor Whitney in a preliminary verbal report, and has been known to the officers working on the case since that time.

"Death was due to arsenical poisoning. Peculiar features which are involved have prevented the authorities from communicating them to the public."

Mrs. Eaton was later arraigned before Judge Pratt, who conducted the inquest into the admiral's death. She pleaded not guilty, and was committed to jail without bail for further hearing, March 28.

Admiral Eaton died suddenly on the morning of March 8.

He was 66 years of age, but according to his friends, had been in good health. Two days later the body was buried at Dracut, his former home. There was no services at the grave and besides the undertakers and newspaper men, only the widow and her daughter by another marriage witnessed the interment. There were no military honors. The rear admiral had seen 39 years' service in the navy.

The investigation is said to have developed that her married life was not altogether happy. Her explanation that her husband died from an attack of indigestion did not satisfy the medical examiner, and after conferring with the family physician he delayed the preparation of the body for burial until a post mortem had been made.

## MEAT SUPPLY IS DECREASING

### Cattle and Fresh Beef Exports Show a Marked Drop.

Washington, March 24.—The decrease in the meat supply available for exportation is sharply illustrated by the February export figures just compiled by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. In the eight months ended with February, 1913, only 12,656 head of cattle were exported, against 270,219 head in the corresponding month of 1907, while the quality of fresh beef exported was only 4,709,047 pounds, against 175,806,649 pounds in 1907.

The department of agriculture estimates the total number of cattle on farms on January 1,1913, at 56,527,000, against 72,534,000 on January 1, 1907.

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Larimore, N. Dak.—"My baby boy's face and hands were all covered with pimples and raw and red sores. They had a brown crust on them which would itch and burn. His chin would bleed in places and he could not sleep just a half hour at a time. He would be restless during the night. I had to get up with him and put ——— on him. That helped just a while, then it would hurt again. We tried remedies with no relief; it got worse in place of better. He had that from four to six weeks. I got some Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. I would wash his face and hands every morning with Cuticura Soap, then I would use the Cuticura Ointment, then I repeated the same way in the evening. It took about two weeks before he was completely cured.

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## DISLIKES ADMINISTRATION POLICY—RESIGNS

Washington, March 20.—Huntington Wilson, assistant secretary of state, has resigned that office and insisted upon immediate acceptance of the resignation because of his radical difference of opinion with the administration regarding its Chinese policies.

President Wilson immediately accepted the resignation.

In his letter to the President the retiring assistant secretary says:

"I had no reason to suppose that the officials on duty in the department of state would learn first from the newspapers of a declaration of policy which I think shows on its face the inadequacy of the consideration given to the facts and theories involved and the failure clearly to apprehend the motives leading to and the purposes of the policy superseded. I had no reason to suppose that the fate of negotiations which had so long had the studious attention of the foreign offices of six great powers would be abruptly determined with such quite unnecessary haste and in so unusual a manner."

**Opportunities of interest to you. Read the Classified Opportunities column on last page.**

# BIG FIRE IN BALTIMORE

### Twelve Firemen Hurt in $100,000 Blaze.

Baltimore, Md., March 24,—Twelve firemen were more or less seriously hurt, and damage estimated at $100,000, was caused by a spectacular fire at the plant of the Union Abbatoir Co., in the southwestern section of the city, today.

The injured firemen were caught under a falling wall. It is not thought any of them will die. Several thousand animals in the stockyards section of the plant, panic-stricken by the blaze, escaped from their pens and for a time threatened to break past their guards and overrun the place.

The fire is supposed to have been caused by crossed electric wires.

## Costs $10 a Day For Each Prisoner

New York, March 21.—It costs the city $10 a day to keep each civil prisoner in the Ludlow street jail, according to a report which investigators have prepared for Mayor Gaynor. The jail is known as "the alimony club," because the prisoners there are mainly men who have refused to pay alimony.

According to the investigators some of the prisoners have more comforts at the jail than they did at home. There are 24 attendants in the jail, while there are seldom more than a dozen prisoners and sometimes as few as three or four. The investigators will present figures to show that the city could save money by boarding both prisoners and guards at the best hotels.

## FEAR FOR POPE PIUS' HEART

### Vatican Doctors Not Alarmed, but Solicitous Over His Illness.

Rome, March 22.—Pope Pius' condition was not alarming yesterday, the Vatican physicians said, but all admitted heart failure might afflict the pontiff if he did not rally soon from his weakness. Since his recent attack of the grip Pope Pius has been listless, showing a weakness that Professor Marchiafava wishes to disappear.

## MARTINIQUE HAS QUAKE

Fort de France, Martinique, March 22.—An earthquake shock was felt here shortly before noon today. Little damage has been reported.

# MORE CHANGES IN SIMPLE SPELLING

### Latest List Issued by Committee Includes Words of More General Use.

New York, March 24,—The Simplified Spelling Board issued a "Fourth List of Simplified Spellings." It is contained in a 16-page pamphlet, Circular No. 26, in the regular series. The new recommendations of the board are comprised in 30 rules, some of which involve changes more noticeable than any of those it has hitherto put forth.

All the rules so far recommended are applied in the present circular, and the four-page introduction exhibits such striking examples as foloing, buplisht, alredy, speld, preferd, thruout, cald, were, practis, extensiv, hav, orthografic, wel, spred, alfabet, formd, shal, ar, wil, executiv, definit, determind, od, catalog, serius, fysiclans, dout, themselvs, givs, previus, varius, digrafs, anomalus, alterd, caracteristic, filologic, ful, clas, enterd, anser, frend, morgage, yoman, obviusly, paragrafs.

One reason that the changed spellings are so much in evidence on the printed page is that so many of the simplifications now recommended affect words in more common use than those in the three former lists.

The "First List" (the "Three Hundred Words" published in 1906), indeed, as the circular points out, was not a list of newly simplified words at all, but a selection of simpler forms from more than 3,000 words already in good use, being, in the greater part, those preferred by the three principal American dictionaries.

The "Second List," published two years later, contained some forms that were unfamiliar to readers of only modern literature, but that were for the most part restorations of simplifications formerly in high literary use. A year later (1909), the "Third List" appeared, containing only four general rules. The three lists were then put together in one "Alfabetic List," also issued in 1909.

Since that time, the circular states, the board has been engaged in the preparation of a provisional "Vocabulary of Simplifications" intended "to include all the ordinary words of the English language that admit any simplification of spelling, according to the existing rules and analogies, and without increasing the present alfabet." This "Vocabulary" is ready to be published "when it shal appear that the supporters of the general cause ar redy to accept it." The "Fourth List" is put forth to "remove many minor irregularities and thus clear the ground for the work that remains to be done."

"In publishing this Fourth List," the circular goes on the say, "the simplified spelling board and its advisory council and the many thousand professors, teachers, superintendents, clergymen, lawyers, physicians, and other supporters for whom they speak, declare their besire to bring about an improvement in English spelling, in these words, here and now . . And allowing for the necessary, and indeed desirable, proportion of criticism and dout which always accompanies new proposals, we may say that this great body of educated men and women, no matter in what degree they use the simplified spelling themselves, will hereafter advise teachers to teach and children to use these new spellings."

The reader is urged, in considering these new spellings, not to be "too much influenst by the 'od' appearance of the word. Any change may look od at first. Consider, rather, whether the change would bring a real gain, if the public should accept it. Consider whether the change is in the right direction—the direction of simplicity, economy, regularity, reason."

### Some Radical Changes.

Some of the new spellings recommended that will strike the ordinary reader as most "revolutionary" are the following:

Omitting the h after c in words like chameleon, chaos, character, chasm, chorus, archaic, echo, etc. (Rule 1), and to spell them cameleon, caos, caracter, casm, corus, arcaic, eco, etc.

Dropping the final silent-e after a single consonant preceded by a short vowel, strest, "or by any strest vowel whose sound is not conventionally associated with the silent final-e" (Rule 3). This gives such forms as: Bad, hav, giv, liv, forgiv, misgiv, ar, gon, wer, etc.

Changing final-ew, pronounced as u, after l, r, or ch, to -u (Rule 5); and dropping the final -e in words ending in -ue, pronounced like long u, after l and r (Rule 27). The application of these rules gives rise to forms like blu (for blew), clu, flue, slu, bru, cru, dru, gru, thru (for threw), chu; and blu (for blue), glu, ru, tru, accru, imbru, etc.

Rules 16 and 20, referring to final -oe and -ow, pronounced like o, produce similar changes with respect to such words; such as do, flo, fo, ho, ro (for roe and row), wo; and blo, bo, cro, glo, sno, belo bello, mello, pillo, willo, etc.

Gh pronounced f is changed to f, by Rule 8, in words ending in -augh, -aught, and -ough; and such forms result as draft, laf, lafter, cof, enuf, ruf, and tuf. And silent gh is dropt from augh, and from ough pronounced like out (Rule 9). Hence we have aut, caut, dauter, hauty, slauter, taut, and the like; and drout (for drought).

### Other Changes Ordered.

Words beginning with gn- (Rule 10) and kn- (Rule 12) pronounced n, drop the intial g and k, giving nash, nat, naw, nome, etc., and nack, nave, nead, nee, nife, nit, nob, nock, etc. For the present the k is retained in kno (know and knoledge (knowledge).

Ph-pronounced f is changed to f in all cases (Rule 21), and affects a multitude of words, many in common use, like telefone, fonograf, telegraf, etc.

Then, by a general rule (30) and several special rules, there is a wholesale dropping of the final letter in words ending in double consonants, -bb, -dd, -ff, -gg, -ll, -nn, -rr, -ss, -tt and -zz, resulting in spellings like eb, ad, od, cuf, eg, wel, wil, er, glas, mis, net, buz.

The silent w is dropped from words beginning with wr- (Rule 28), producing the forms rap, reak, reath, retched, riggle, rist, rite, riter, rong, and so forth.

Another conspicuous change is in dropping the o in the termination -ous Rule 19). Hence we see enormus, fanus, glorius, ridiculus, etc. The circular gives a long list of them.

Final -some, too, becomes sum, in words like fulsome, gladsome, handsome and the like, which the simple spellers will now write fulsum, gladsum, handsum.

# The Marriage of Captain Kettle

(Continued from First Page.)

The Norman Towers had lost her way by this time, and lay in the trough of the great blue ocean swells leaking a thin trickle of steam. The spot where the engineer had hit the sea was marked by a patch of white which bubbled like soda water. Mr. Kettle jumped to the rail and stood there poised. He was a poor man and always a dandy about his dress, and as he had a cat's dislike for getting his clothes wet or soiled, he did not want to jump overboard and spoil a suit he could ill afford to replace, unless the engineer plainly showed that he wanted assistance. So when the man's white face appeared, and he spat out a mouthful of weed and water and set off swimming at a sturdy side-stroke for the northeast, the mate sang out an ironical "Good voyage," and went to the upper deck to oversee the lowering of the quarter-boat.

The davits swung outboard, the tackles squeaked like a parcel of angry cats, the boat splashed into the water, unhooked and pushed off. Oars straddled out from her and beat the water unevenly. Slowly she scratched her way over the hill and dale of the sea. The engineer, when he heard the clank of the looms against the thole-pins, swam to the farther side of an islet of the orange-yellow weed, and it looked as if they were going to have trouble with him. But words passed in the boat, and one of the rowers shipped his oar and stood up. He picked up some small line which lay on the untidy floor boards, made a running bowline on one end, arranged some coils to his satisfaction, threw, and hauled taut. The man caught the engineer round the neck with his first heave, and (after the severe methods of the sea) choked the fight out of him before he brought him up through the clogging bubbly weed to the side of the boat. Thereafter the madman was brought on board, dried, dressed, and deposited in his own room, the door of which a leisurely carpenter proceeded to decorate with hasp and padlock.

The mate marched smartly off to the chart house to report. He knocked, lifted the hook, and opened the door, and grasped the situation at a glance. Captain Saturday Farnish had indulged in that one more peg—and several others to ram it home.

The mate stepped inside, and this time shut the door closely. He drew curtains across the side windows that the curious might not look through, and then made his formal report.

"Chief engineer gone to his room, sir."

"You're a very capable off'sr—Owen, me man. Given you a most unpleasant job, I'm sure. Been with you in spirit all along but couldn't get on deck. Detained chart house, severe malarial symptoms. Fatal, expose sea air. Stayed in here very much against my will, taking necessary drugs."

Yes, sir, quite so. Second engineer reports it's quite true about the coal. I told him it was a trifle which would cost him his ticket, and as he was saucy I had to attend to him. But that doesn't get over the coal—and the grub. One we haven't got, the other we shall have less of every day.

"'Niess you can arrange for the sea-gullls to bring bath buns, like, wasn' it Joshua did, for the ravens?"

"My idea, sir, was that you'd like me to rig a life boat and go off and see if I couldn't pick up assistance. I was sure you'd think each moment was of importance, as every bit of delay means so much more food and drink consumed, and you'd want me to be off at once.

"But where to, Owen, me man? You're not likely to find boat to tow us thish side New Jerusalem."

"There's some sort of a steam lane from the northern ports to the West Indies about 12 degrees south of where we are now, sir, and I concluded you'd like me to sail down to cut that, and then if I didn't see anybody, hold on backward and across till I did."

"You couldn't find the old packet again, once you'd left her. Much better stay'n let's all starve comfortably together."

"I shall take note of the current sets and the wind from day to day, sir, and shal'n't be far out in calculating your drift. They rubbed that sort of thing pretty well into one in the navigation school. I think you may expect me back with assistance inside a week."

Captain Farnish applied a handkerchief to his eyes. "You'll excuse these tears, Owen, me man, but prospect mosht distressful. I always looked forward to a high-class funeral, Birkenhead Cemetery, with you and the old woman and the kids in the wake of the hearse, a sort of poem in white pocket handkerchiefs and crape. 'S been one of the happy dreams of my life. Mosht distressing die out here like a black beetle in a kerosene can, unmourned, unwept for. And my steward tells me whisky's running out."

"Yes, sir, the Towers' going to be a dry ship till I get back with relief. Then I may take it to be your wish that I get under way at once?"

"At onche," said Captain Farnish with much gravity. "Scheme I've outlined to you, Mr. Kettle, me—Mr. Kettle, me man, is outcome much anxious delib—dolab—I should say de-lib-er-ashun, and I have full confidence your ability carry it out. Full confidence. I may say fullest. Though suffering severe attack malarious symptoms myself, as vide entry in log, still I have fullest confidence in mate of my own upbringing"—Captain Farnish's head dropped upon his breast, and he permitted himself to snore with relief.

"Then good-by, sir."

"Goo-by. I wasn't asleep, if that's your idea, and to prove it I give you las' word. My motto is 'Leave everything to the mate.' Remarkably confident—I should say com-pe-tent—man, my mate, Mis' Kell. As I said before, goo-by."

The big red velvet arm-chair in which Captain Farnish reposed jarred up and down on its broken castor with every roll of the ship, and before leaving the mate took down Norie's Epitome of Navigation from the bookshelf, and shored it up on a steady base. Then he set his watch by the ship's chronometer, and went out once more on deck and gave crisp and lucid commands to those concerned in the rigging and victualing of the port lifeboat.

His last action before leaving was to change the uniform that the chief engineer had slimed with oil for a fresh rig. It is not many men who would have given thought for their clothes before starting on an open boat vayoge in mid-Atlantic that could only be classed as desperate, but I can merely report Mr. Kettle as I found him.

The mate's choice of crew for the lifeboat was also typical of the man. Skill would be needed for the trip, strength, endurance, and above all things, obedience. And yet Mr. Kettle, knowing to the full every weakness of every member of the Norman Towers' complement, deliberately picked as his associates the five worst men on board. He even included among them the black who only that morning had tried to knife him.

I could never extract from Kettle the reason for his selection, and so can only surmise. Two theories occur to me. Perhaps he took away those particular rapscallions with him in the boat so that there should be no chance of their annoying poor, weak, old Farnish on the Norman Towers. Perhaps he took them to enjoy the risk and luxury of taming them at close quarters. But I believe it was the last that swayed him the most. He was always a man with a singular taste for what he called "trouble."

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8—Pain or soreness under right rib.
9—Swelling in any part of the body.
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11—Palpitation or pain under the heart.
12—Pain in the hip joint.
13—Pain in the neck or head.
14—Pain or soreness in the kidneys.
15—Pain or swelling of the joints.
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Most of the philosophy written these days seems to be intended for the benefit of women.

Money is ore of the few things that can be laid away for future reference and not be forgotten.

How can there be uniform divorce laws until there are uniform excuses for wanting divorces?

Mr. Bryan is now 53 years of age. Time to forget that he is the "boy orator of the Platte."

The population of Mexico is decreasing rapidly. The Maderos are all leaving the country.

We have seen no announcement of the perfect girl who was discovered several weeks ago.

The man who starts out to reform women's clothes is pretty sure to accumulate a lot of bother.

London suffragettes say they never got anything by being ladylike. Perhaps not, but they kept out of jail.

Everybody ought to be glad that dreams do not come true. If they did the nightmares might come true, too.

The "new woman" talk has had no effect on that disagreeable person who refers to his wife as "the old woman."

The wasp waist is again coming in vogue, which means that there are a lot of women who will not be in style.

"A Paris artist is coming over to paint New York society people." It is not, however, a case of decorating the lily.

Congress will take up and dispose of the tariff question, but the cabinet will have to deal with Mr. Redfield's side whiskers.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to send the children to bed with their minds filled with ghost stories?

This is the season when the early riser can get a view of the purple east; and there is nothing in the way of pictures to beat it.

We have wondered why the life insurance companies never ask a man, before insuring him, if he ever does any innocent bystanding.

Now and then the date predicted for the end of the world goes by without anything happening. But prophets never take the hint.

W. D. Howells speaks of "the overwhelming prevalence" of fiction. It does seem that it would do no harm to have a little more truth scattered around.

The Ben Davis and the Jonathan apple have been crossed successfully by the Missouri experiment station. Which makes us feel sorry for the Jonathan.

After the automobile had been wrecked Mme. Bernhardt rode into Los Angeles on the lap of A. C. Brode. Something for his grandchildren to talk about.

President Wilson did not learn the alphabet until he was 9 years of age. His parents never had a chance to "show him off" to strangers, but he is all right now.

"Be good, but also be good for something," says a Chicago News paragrapher. There is philosophy in that; there are many good people who are good for nothing.

A Washington correspondent says that when Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and her daughters went shopping the other day, in the rain, they all carried umbrellas. The wisdom of the present administration cannot be doubted.

"If you would step into some great seat of power and plenty, some day," says an exchange, "just get into the habit of patting people on the back." Doubtful philosophy. We never could vote for any man who would pat us on the back.

### COMPETITION IN THE SENATE.

The United States senate these days must be very much like the New York stock exchange in a busy season—showing all the various states of mind of men winning, of men losing, of those calm and satisfied because they are safely victorious and of those at whose hearts grief is gnawing because they are fully assured of failure, of members so exalted as to be cynically amused with the antics of the mob about them and of members just as cynical because they are so humble that they have nothing risked or prejudiced.

The explanation for it all is that the seniority rule having been abrogated, the honorable gentlemen of the senate are engaged in working their wires, bringing secret influences to bear, making trades and appealing to old friendships, for the purpose of capturing desirable committee appointments. The attitude of superiority to the common passions of the house of representatives has been thrown into the closet and the key turned upon it. The air of aloofness to the petty strife of politics is gone, perhaps never to return. Each individual ambition is getting in its very best licks.

Struggles of this sort in the senate, as upon the floor of stock exchanges, must bring out good in men as well as bad. We can hardly think the upper chamber will be a loser by it. Under the old system, merit had to twirl its thumbs and wait on changes of political sentiment, upon resignations and death, before it could make itself felt. The present competition is not altogether seemly. But it opens a way by which the stronger members and the more energetic may put their talents early at work.

### WHY LIVING IS HIGHER.

The tremendous crops of last year fell short of being as tremendous as they should be, if one judges by the statistics just issued by the government.

These show that the supply of corn per inhabitant has fallen off 21 per cent in ten years, the supply of wheat, 14 per cent. In the same period the price of corn has risen 44 per cent and wheat 47 per cent. As a corollary to a decrease of 8 per cent per inhabitant in the yield of cotton, the price has risen 80 per cent. For every 100 acres in cultivation ten years ago, there are now 115 acres. For every 100 bushels, bales or pounds of the ten principal crops of a decade ago, there are produced 109 bushels, bales or pounds. The government points out that measured per ton mile the work of the railroads increased 40 per cent, but measured per acre the output of the ten crops averages a decrease of about 1 per cent.

Hunting down causes for the rising costs of living is a foolish waste of time when the real cause, like a house struck by lightning, flares out of such figures as these.

### TO THE GOOD IN ARNOLD.

It will be rather a shock to one who may have been brought up on the older type of school history to learn that bronze tablets have been dedicated in Maine to the memory of Benedict Arnold. In the text books, Arnold, like the Richard III. of Shakespeare, was all bad, all despicable. There was no word to lighten the weight of his shame, no citing of circumstances to soften his baseness.

The people of Maine have wisely disregarded the wrong which Benedict Arnold did his cause in later years and remembered the good he earlier did by risking freedom and life, suffering hunger and illness and discouragement to lead his little band of volunteers through the wilderness of Maine to strike a blow at the British citadel at Quebec.

Except in fiction, in the speeches of political orators and in the works of some history writers, no man is all bad. The good that even the worst do more often than not outweighs the evil they do. That was so with Benedict Arnold.

### BUILDING A STATE

The general scheme of law-making, the method of electing officers and the restrictive plan of tax-collecting proceed upon the assumption that the conduct of an American state is a simple case of housekeeping. A foreigner who should read the Ohio state constitution might honestly conclude that all the governor and his staff have to do is keep the administrative offices clean, the household accounts balanced methodically, the doors locked by bedtime.

The taxpayer is naturally shocked that the general appropriation bill of the general assembly should carry an increase of three-quarters of a million dollars over the appropriations of two years ago. Dear man! He is subjected to more shocks than a city planted upon the restless sides of a young volcano. Custom demands that the taxpayer shall see in any increase of expenditures only extravagance, only wilful misuse of his hard-earned money. There are those, indeed, ready to call his attention to the fact if the taxpayer should fail to see it for himself.

Yet the real pride, the real patriotism, the simon-pure ambition for the good ship Ohio is concentrated in the breast of the taxpayer. He would be the loudest to rail if the state fell behind in public improvements, if it did not keep abreast of sister states in constructive legislation, if it did not provide well for the lame, halt and blind. The taxpayer knows vaguely in his heart that the state is his and nothing could trouble or irritate him more than that his delegated representatives and servants should neglect to build that new wing, macadamize the road and lay the drain-tile. All this he wishes and will have. But if the fit strikes him he will punish an outlay of money for the new work with an avalanche of votes. He has been taught to be angry over increases in expenditures. It must be admitted that he is seldom backward in living up to his training.

The facts of the situation are that the government of an American state is not at all a case of housekeeping. It is a case of housebuilding. Not one of the states has merely to be kept in repair. Every one of them is in course of construction. If we would all realize that and would all admit it, it would save a lot of fretting, a lot of misunderstandings, a lot of misrepresentations on one side of a political fence and a lot of dodging and squirming and needless apologizing on the other side.

### "UNCLE JOE'S" FAREWELL.

We can sympathize with the voters of the congressional district of which Danville, Illinois, is the center, who last fall found they must choose between their private liking for Joseph Cannon and the clearly marked public duty of retiring him. Not without regret did they mark their ballots against him, not without sorrow did they read the news that the ballots had swept him out of office. He had been an unrepresentative representative. Yet he had been always a man to like and admire, to cheer when he was upon the platform, to glory in when word came of one of his picturesque triumphs over some rival in debate.

"When I lose interest in politics," he said the other day, "you can bet I'll be dead. I will still be in politics as a private citizen—without personal ambitions."

That is the way that "Uncle Joe" could be counted upon to speak—no bitterness that after forty years his constituents should find him undesirable as a servant, no whining and whimpering that his people should be ungrateful for the public buildings and the federal institutions he sprinkled over the district as if all that the government at Washington had to do was to coddle the electorate of Illinois.

He is still "Uncle Joe," likable as ever, game to the core. Not one of the sorrowful voters of his district will be upbraided, not one will be reminded of benefits forgot. He has been recalled. That is all. He will no more cry about it than he will admit that he has ever been in the wrong. It is too bad that some of those who were caught in the same wreck have not shown as much cheerfulness and fortitude.

### MR. BRYAN UNDER GUIDANCE.

The new secretary of state is a fortunate man—not only are some sixty million of the ninety millions of his countrymen serving as his voluntary advisers, but the London newspapers, without hope of reward or even a word of gratitude, are telling him how housekeeping in the department of state can be made easy. It does not seem possible that Mr. Bryan can go wrong, so well off is he in the matter of counsel.

No fear, of course, can be entertained for the secretary so long as he sticks to the broad and plain path his guides have so kindly and thoughtfully beaten down for him. It is when he strays away from the road that there is the least likelihood of his meeting with trouble or embarrassment. We cannot think, though, that he would risk the jungle in which there is no advice to direct him, no hand to help him on his way, no voice megaphoning him to be cautious.

For it would be a place so uninhabited and so lonely that Mr. Bryan, every nerve a-tremble, would leap back into the clear-marked highway.

### THE ARMY AND THE AEROPLANE.

The secretary of state for war informed the members of the British house of commons the other day that the English army had secretly perfected an aeroplane which could fly at both low and high speeds, capable of averaging more than 90 miles an hour and equally capable of running as slowly as aerial scouts would find necessary in order to reconnoiter and map an enemy's position.

As Orville Wright pointed out only a few days before, the "circus performances" of aeronauts had seriously interfered with the development of aerial navigation. Yet in spite of the prize-hunting birdmen there does seem to have been development.

It has been a matter of complaint that some of the best mental gifts of men have been employed upon contriving methods of terrible destruction, upon devising systems of warfare. Not a few of the devices and discoveries of the military people have, however, come to be very useful when applied to ends that are peaceful. It is possible that the improvement of the aeroplane, stayed for a time it seemed, is about to come that way.

### THE NEXT UNSCRAMBLING.

In the eleventh annual report of the United States Steel Corporation some idea is given as to what will have to be unscrambled in case the company is declared to be operating in violation of the anti-trust laws.

From this report it appears that the corporation owns 149 manufacturing plants, furnaces, mills, foundries and shops of various kinds. It holds title to more than one hundred iron ore mines, besides coal and coke properties. It has nearly 2,000 miles of railroad, with an equipment of 47,543 cars and 1,203 locomotives. For water traffic it has three ocean-going steamships, 102 lake vessels and 106 others which ply upon the Ohio river. In the course of assimilation, the company has incidentally picked up a few gas wells and a water supply system or two.

The splitting up of the Standard Oil and the American Tobacco companies did not bring about such a new distribution of shares as to affect any perceptible change in the market control of oil and tobacco commodities. No more can be expected to result from the dissolution of the steel trust. The many parts into which the trust must be broken up will yet have the same ownership. And that ownership is bound to see that the coal and ore mines continue to supply the material to the same mills and furnaces, the coke go to the same destination, the locomotives and cars and steamships and river boats transport the supplies and products they are doing now.

The unscrambling of the steel trust will be an intricate and, from the outsider's point of view, an interesting problem. But after that is over there will still be a steel trust as there is an oil and a tobacco trust. Events have demonstrated that trust dissolution is only a form of more or less solemn mummery.

### A MISSIONARY EXPLORER.

David Livingstone, the centenary whose birth is celebrated throughout the world today, was a missionary of the type of La Salle and Marquette—stirred by two passions, one to take the word of God into the wilderness, the other to learn what the wilderness was like, what kind of human beings peopled it, what prospects it held out for a final Christianization.

The name of Livingstone is linked in history with the name of Henry M. Stanley. The two men might seem to have had little in common, for Livingstone was stirred by the spirit of proselyting, while Stanley, a soldier of fortune, felt only the stir and desire of adventure. Livingstone was a calm, even-tempered man, kindly and considerate by nature. Stanley, at least in later life, was irrascible and impatient with opposition. Always he was ambitious for himself. Yet these two men became closely attached to each other. Stanley wrote to a friend: "Four months and four days I lived with Livingstone, in the same house, or in the same boat, or in the same tent, and I never found a fault with him." Which was the journalist's way of giving high praise.

The dark places into which the missionary penertated at the risk of his life are as safe today as the police-guarded street of a great city. The tourist is taken by rail to the falls of the Zambesi, which Livingstone was the first white man to behold. Cattle feed upon the long grass he had to push his way through. And here and there are spires showing against the horizon, such monuments to him as the strong and gentle missionary-explorer could scarcely have dreamed of appearing within a hundred years of his birth.

President Wilson may keep so busy during his four years in office that he can save the $25,000 allowed him for traveling expenses.

"J. Pierpont Morgan smokes $12 worth of cigars every day." But he is consistent, he doesn't complain of the high cost of living.

## Abe Martin

It's what we learn after we think we know it all that counts.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

### To Subscribers Whose Time Expires in April

We have just mailed to all of our subscribers whose time expires during the month of April, our special propositions for renewals and the raising of clubs. Our new premium—Three-Piece Lace Bed Sets, description of which appears in another location on this page, is meeting with great favor among our readers. We will continue our Nottingham lace curtain offer indefinitely as this premium is growing more popular every year.

It affords us great pleasure to state that over 97 per cent of our subscribers whose time expired during January, February and March, have renewed for the coming year and that a greater number than ever took advantage of our propositions Nos. 3 and 4—sending us clubs of ten and twenty names.

We feel absolutely certain that the same will be true regarding April renewals and of the great many old subscribers who sent us clubs of four last year, we particularly wish to impress upon you how very easy it will be to make your club ten or twenty names.

The Weekly Blade is unquestionably the best family newspaper published in America, and is known and valued everywhere newspapers are read. Over 240,000 families throughout the United States are readers of the Weekly Blade, (estimating over 1,000,000 readers weekly)—surely a Great National Family.

We particularly wish to call your attention to the fact that it is very important that all who receive our April proposition give attention to their renewal before May 1, because when a name is dropped from our list, the address is entirely lost to us, and we are therefore unable to make the offer again.

## Sunday School

### A LONG LOOK AT HISTORY

**International Sunday School Lesson for March 30 Is a Quarterly Review, "The God of Our Fathers."**

**By William T. Ellis.**

The historian of the future will probably write down these present years through which we are living as the period in which the western continent became aware of the world. He may recall and quote Bushnell's sentence, "About this time I passed into a period of comprehensiveness." The awakening of the Orient is not more noteworthy than the awakening of the Occident to a cosmopolitan conscience. Men's horizons are rapidly widening today. They are thinking in more liberal terms. The entire globe and a vaster range of human interests are comprehended within their consciousness.

In sympathy with this spirit the Sunday schools of the world have for the past quarter been studying the long reaches of time. They have harked back to the beginning of beginnings to the inconceivable period when all things that now are were not. The hand of God has been seen in the shaping of the universe and in determining human history. The first quarter's lessons in this year 1913 have included all of history prior to and including the life of the Hebrew patriarch Abraham. This survey has been most general, in the nature, of the case, yet it has given perspective and background to our contemplation of present life. The person who sees things from the standpoint of their beginnings is not likely to get over-excited concerning the latest press dispatch. He knows that this old world has been a long time in business, and he can find an analogy in the past for most things that engage the present.

**"In the Beginning."**

Newspapers have of late been making startling announcements (which the next day are explained as having been premature) concerning the scientific creation of life. Undoubtedly these are the days of revolutionary discoveries; physical science is being made over; man is penetrating far into the thought of the creator. The office of man as the divine instrument seems to grow more exalted with each passing decade.

The reverent Christian is serene amid all these claims of upsetting innovations and discoveries, in the consciousness that the first words of Scripture are unshaken. "In the beginning God." After all, what more need we know? It is sufficient for faith to know that God, the eternal and omnipotent, is before all else and the cause of all else. What were His exact processes in the task of creation we are perhaps not yet ready to perceive; certainly the world three thousand years ago could not take this truth. It is enough for us to know that "in the beginning God" was and worked.

This is no runaway world. The universe is not an accident. Blind chance did not create the spheres or the procession of the seasons or the orders of life. We are not "in the fell clutch of circumstances." A sovereign God is ruling over the world and His favorite name is "Father."

**Old Truth for New Times.**

"Every day is a fresh beginning,
Every day is a world made new."

The message that is written in the story of creation is equally the old lesson for daily life. God is at its source and God is overruling it. Each day is a little life, and it should be begun in conscious relationship with Him. The majestic words of the Psalmist illuminate the present review:

"Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place
In all generations
Before the mountains were brought forth,
Or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world,
Even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.
Thou turnest man to destruction.
And sayest, Return, ye children of men.
For a thousand years in thy sight
Are but as yesterday when it is past,
And as a watch in the night."

The mesage of creation is in the lesson's golden text. "Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted in thee and thou didst deliver them." God as the first fact in our present life is the old truth for the new times.

**The Serpent in the Garden.**

Heaven's first thought of earth was a garden. God's plans are paradise plans. The most daring dream of the sociologists does not rise to the level of God's great purposes. He plans better than man expects. Not woe, but happiness is the divine program for the race.

Early in the story of mankind we come upon the ugly fact of sin as marring God's beautiful design; the fact that is today upsetting so many of the calculations of the social reformers. In the garden of paradise there was the serpent of sin. Man's iniquity interfered with God's plans and wrecked the garden. It never has been true and never can be true that sin and happiness could abide permanently together. For sin is a serpent which wrecks every garden that it enters. The thing that ails the world today is not bad legislation, or bad economic system, or bad social order so much as it is that perverse quality in human nature which the theologians call sin. The sociologists and the evangelists find a common meeting place in warfare against that old serpent, Satan.

**Getting Along With Folks.**

All problems are at base problems of people. The difficulty of living together in harmonious and helpful human relationships is a cardinal difficulty in life. It is as old as Cain and Abel, older than Noah and the people of the plains. Abraham and Terah in Ur of the Chaldees found it so. Even Abraham and his nephew Lot could not get along well together. The youngest school girl who has just awakened to the fact that some folks are uncongenial is but repeating the ancient experience of the race.

There are two types of persons in the world, the good and the bad, the unselfish and the selfish. One class walks God's way; the others walk their own way. History clearly teaches that unselfishness and helpfulness are the paths of peace and progress. Those souls are in league with the Infinite and with His universe who live to serve and to obey.

**Taking Cililization to Task.**

It has chanced to be my lot to traverse practically all the ruins of antiquity. I have trodden the fallen grandeur of all the ancient and imperial civilizations. In these ruins one reads a story of a retributive power who overrules all of man's vaulting and ambitious plans. One cannot visit Nineveh, for instance, and behold the Children of Israel who have still survived while the glory of Sennacherib has perished without awesome thoughts of the God of Abraham and the children of the promise.

A long look back over the milleniums makes it clear that society has an obligation to God. He has held accountable the nations of the earth. God deals with peoples as well as with individuals, and that is the lesson for today. We are engaged, on this western continent in creating a new civilization. If we are not ignorant of the teachings of time we will keep God's program in mind and hold our nation true to its obligation to the King of kings.

"Hold ye the faith, the faith our fathers sealed us,
Whoring not with visions over wise and over stale,
Except ye pay the Lord,
Single heart and single sword,
Of your children in their bondage
Shall He ask them treble tale."

## Opinions of the People

EDITOR'S NOTE—This column has received more communications than it can print. The most of them are too long. We don't want essays, we want opinions boiled down. If you have an idea, express it in the fewest possible words. The short article is always preferred.

**The White Man's Ocean.**

Admiral Hall, of the Australian navy, in a speech urging the British Pacific possessions, island and mainland, to unite in building a navy for the maintenance of the Pacific as the white man's ocean, said that "it was his opinion that the time was not very remote when all the nations would consider the Pacific as the theatre of the world's events; that the time was near when Great Britain would lose control of its imperial possessions in the Pacific, and when that time came Australia would look to the United States for an alliance that would keep the Pacific the white man's ocean."

While I cannot go so far as to say that the time is near when Great Britain will lose control of its Pacific possessions the time is near when attention must be paid to the demands of those possessions or they will be lost to her. There is no doubt that the time will come when the English-speaking countries must uphold the position taken by the Australian admiral, and the United States is the one nation that should prepare for the same without the loss of time. Already Canada, Australia and New Zealand are building warships independent of the home government, and arrangements have been made for a meeting of delegates from all of the British Pacific possessions, to be held in Victoria, B. C., in the near future, to form some kind of a league by which united action can be had when the time comes for the same.

The United States and Great Britain are particularly interested in keeping the Pacific the white man's ocean. We have islands as important to us as Australia and New Zealand are to England, and already there is a powerful nation encroaching upon these possessions and undermining our authority in the same, and our government seems not to be aware of it.

Our navy is practically all in the Atlantic where there is no need for it. There is no nation on that side of the globe that we have cause to fear or to watch, beyond a weak republic that a gunboat or two can take care of, while on the Pacific there is a nation particularly unfriendly to the United States, with a powerful navy and a big merchant fleet, one company alone operating 79 vessels, all modern built, and four more building. All of this fleet can be brought into service as transports at a few days' notice, and are within a few hours' steaming distance of our island possessions, and could reach our mainland and lay waste every city on the coast before any protection could be given by our navy as it is now placed.

The nation referred to has had its pride and conceit much elevated by its victory over the Russians, it is beginning to consider that it owns the Pacific. Although the United States brought Japan into prominence as a nation, and did her an extremely friendly act in bringing the Russian war to a close, that nation is our enemy and is preparing to strike us a serious blow if an occasion should arise.

Although this threatening condition of things on the Pacific has been called to the notice of the federal government by several of our best informed naval officers, as well as civilians who have visited that country, no attention has been paid to them.

The legislatures of the Pacific states that meet this winter should instruct their delegates in congress to demand of the navy department that our fleet in the Pacific be greatly increased. They might go still further and send a delegate to meet with those from the British Pacific possessions and have an understanding that we would act with them in keeping the Pacific the white man's ocean.

It has been pointed out that, with the completion of the Panama Canal, our navy can be moved from ocean to ocean in a few days' time, but that event is two years off, and a crisis may occur in a few months. Even if it should be postponed beyond the opening of the canal, there is no positive assurance that the canal can be relied upon. Accidents may happen that will suspend navigation just at a critical time. What we want is our navy in the Pacific just as soon as it can get here.—C. D. W., Seattle, Wash.

**The Protection of Birds.**

Editor Blade—If I have been correctly informed, there is a growing tendency in the farming communities of the country to favor the adoption of more stringent game laws for the protection of insect-eating birds, which render such valuable service to the agriculturist in preserving his crops from destruction by voracious insects. Many theories have been advanced in regard to the protection of birds, but mostly impracticable ones.

The most important thing would be to influence the legislature to enact more strict game laws and appoint a conscientious game warden in every township in the state, whose duty should be to see that the laws were enforced. To the depredations of hunters from the towns and cities (and a few from the country) we are indebted for the extinction of several species of beneficial songbirds and a numerical reduction of the remaining varieties. Let us think for a moment what the world would resemble if we were to arise some beautiful morning in early spring and our ears would not be greeted by the enlivening songs of the flame-clad reedbird, the red-breast robin and the beautifully mottled thrush, or if on retiring at night we should miss the thrilling cry of the whippoorwill. With the extermination of the birds there would be ushered into the world an era of gloom, dreary beyond contemplation, for it is improbable that a person who has one iota of love for the grand and the beautiful in nature would be pleased with the cheerless prospect of living in a birdless world. To listen to the warbling of the birds as they trill their welcome to the advancing light of day is not only elevating and ennobling, but it soothes our souls, dispells care and worry and smoothes the thorny path of life.

Ie is also an incontrovertible fact that all insectivorous birds exert a direct influence on the food we eat and consequently their diminution would further aggravate the problem of the high cost of living.

Taking into consideration all the benefit, joy and cheer derived from these innocent defenders of our fields and forests, we make the plain statement that any person sufficiently debased in character to enjoy the killing and wounding of birds is undeniably possessed of a coarse and brutal nature, a degenerate specimen of the human race, a troglodyte who has sunk below the level of the cannibal and the pagan.—J. A. Smith, Lowell, O.

## A Poem Worth While

**A Little.**

A little work, a little play
To keep us going—and
So, good-day!

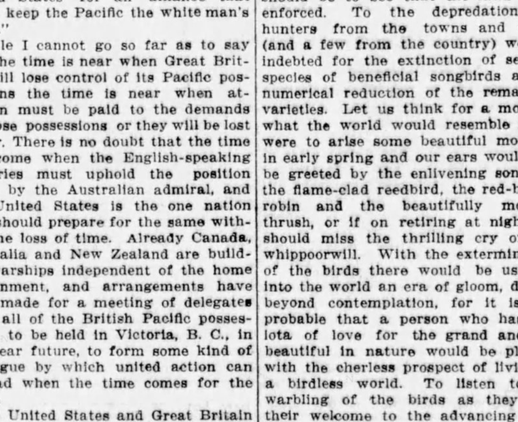
A little warmth, a little light
Of love's bestowing—and
So, good-night!

A little fun, to match the sorrow
Of each day's growing—and
So, good-morrow!

A little trust that when we die
We reap our sowing—and
So, good-bye!

Du Maurier.


## Elegant Three-Piece Lace Bed Set



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Each set is made from a very fine quality of genuine Nottingham lace. Strong and of good wearing quality.

**Sizes**

The size of the spread is 60 x 90, with two shams to match, size 30 x 30.

### The Weekly Blade's New Premium

The above illustration does but little justice to this beautiful and attractive Lace Bed Set. The design is the **Deer Medallion** pattern—a combination representing lace and floral effects with realistic deer centerpieces, and has been so beautifully worked out that the whole effect is positively the handsomest and most refined we have ever seen. We selected this pattern in preference to many others submitted.

The beauty of this lacy Bed Set is still further brought out by the use of a pink, blue or yellow cambric lining, which is very cheap and can be purchased at any dry goods store. You should have a set for all your beds, as it adds greatly to the attractiveness of the room, besides it is very new and fashionable.

This particular design of Bed Set is made especially for us, and we were compelled to contract for the entire production of a large eastern lace mill in order that we might have exclusive right to this pattern.

### We Do Not Sell These Lace Bed Sets

**But give one set (one spread and two shams to match) free, postpaid by mail, for every club of 20 subscribers.** The retail price of this set in local stores would be from $2.50 to $3.00.

We are sure that any of our readers receiving one of these Bed Sets will be more than pleased.

See our "Notice to Subscribers," which appears on this page, **for further explanation of how to obtain this beautiful premium.**


## VARIETIES

New York is the greatest market for California fruit.

The Russian empire's population is estimated at 176,000,000.

The world consumes one million gallons of kerosene oil daily.

Last year Canada received 1,691 new settlers from Norway.

Sugar alone will sustain human life for a considerable time.

In 1912 the United States output of kerosene oil was 220,000,000 gallons.

Jamaica yearly exports about three billion three hundred million bananas.

Britain in 1912 received $14,000,000 in money orders from the United States.

Paris is said to have 85,000 men and women criminals.

Zimatlan, Mexico, is using a gasoline street lighting system.

Kansas City, Kas., asks restoration of its old name, Wyandotte.

Milk of the Indian buffalo is richer than that of the European cow.

More than twenty million mummies have been discovered in Egypt.

A private wireless telegraph plant will be set up in the garden of the vatican.

Smith college is trying to raise an endowment fund of $1,000,000 in nickels.

Potato water will remove mud stains from nearly every kind of cloth garment.

Utah mines yielded nearly one-fifth more metals last year than the year before.

More than 8,000,000 calves are slaughtered in the United States each year.

San Francisco promises a moral clean-up in advance of the opening of its exposition.

More juice can be extracted from a lemon by heating it slightly than if it be squeezed when cold.

Every square mile of the United States has 32 inhabitants on the average.

The addition of a pint of glue water to four gallons of whitewash will prevent the latter rubbing off a wall.

Alcohol, in conjunction with the Welsbach mantle is now used for the purposes of automobile headlights in Germany.

A new German projectile for use against balloons ignites their gas with an electric spark on striking.

A new tooth brush economy consists of interchangeable bristle carriers which are replaced as worn out on the old handle.

The average distance covered by a team and wagon is 16 to 20 miles a day, and that of an automobile is 40 to 60 miles.

California now ranks first among all the states west of the Mississippi river in the value of its mineral production.

A company of well known business men of Halifax has been organized to raise and sell silver and black foxes.

French exports to the United States increased by nearly $17,000,000 in 1912, as compared with the preceding year.

The forests now cover 550,000,000 acres, or about one-fourth of the total area of the country.

The foundations of Boston public library are reported sinking, the result of the new subway.

The match industry produces seven matches a day for each man, woman and child in the world.

The tobacco of New England generally commands a higher price than the average of the other states.

The United States patent office issued 993 patents during the year 1850, but last year the number reached 34,084.

The world's principal jade mine is in Burma, where the privilege of mining the stone has been in the possession of one Indian tribe for many generations.

Rye has nearly disappeared in American grain exports. Only 5,000 bushels went abroad in 1912, against 2,500,000 bushels in 1908.

The first tunnel under the Pyrenees, recently pierced for a Franco-Spanish railroad, has a total length of about five miles.

Discarding the queues in Canton, China, has glutted the local market for human hair and made foreign purchasers wary.

Coffee from the region around Oaxaca, central Mexico, is highly praised and is said by experts to compare with the best Java.

Daily weather maps of the United States weather bureau are now printed in 58 cities, the combined annual edition exceeding 6,000,000 copies.

Of the 838,172 alien immigrants entering the United States the last fiscal year 678,480 were between 14 and 44 years of age, 113,700 were less than 14 and 45,992 more than 44.

The water in a baptismal font in a church in northern Michigan is kept at a comfortable temperature in winter by an electric heater.

Switzerland is about to establish the largest national park in Europe. It is in the canton of Grisons and has an area of nearly 80 square miles.

As an additional safeguard against icebergs one transatlantic passenger steamer is carrying a 72,000-candle power searchlight with an effective range of five miles.

It is asserted by a French scientist that flowers give off more perfume when shaded than when the sun shines on them, because the sun's heat lessens the water pressure in the plant cells, this pressure driving out the oils that cause the odors.

A crystal of beryl, a semi-precious stone related to the emerald, nearly a yard long and weighing 220 pounds, recently was found in Madagascar, and presented to the French Academy of Sciences.

Coal is second in value among the mineral production of Formosa. There are 15 seams of coal extending from the north coast to Toen and Schinchiku perfectures. There are four varieties, anthracite, black-brown, and two varieties of brown.

The Texas owner of a large dairy herd believes he is the only man in the United States who cultivates the prickly pear, raising a 600-acre field of it annually and feeding his stock the pads after removing the thorns.

The sale of cigarettes and intoxicants to children was forbidden in the Isle of Man for years before such a prohibition was enforced in England. Englishmen have legislated mildly against money lenders. The highest interest that can be charged in the island is 6 per cent and that has been the law for over 200 years.

### Surgery and Crime.

Surgical treatment to turn a confirmed criminal into a useful citizen received a bad setback in a case where a great apparent change after such an operation led to the pardon of the remade man. His release was followed by a series of burglaries which necessitated his return to durance vile. Perhaps one of the reforms to come will be the better protection of society from theory and experiment connected with the criminal classes. Co far, the exepriments made to prove that morality is merely a matter of physiology have not been brilliantly successful.

# The PEACE PAGE.

MARTHA HOLDEN — EDITOR

## HE WHO PLANTS A TREE

By Martha Holden.

"He who plants a tree," says Lucy Larcorn, "plants a hope." Its symbolism suggests to the poet the thought of man's life, climbing from the olods of time to the sublime heavens. Forests have appealed to man in all ages. In ancient times the solemnity and quiet grandeur of the woods, awe-inspiring to mortals, made them feel that here were the dwelling places of the gods, and the murmuring of the leaves became the voices of spirits.

The Druids worshipped especially the oak tree, and the Greeks listened in the oak forest for the voice of the great god Zeus, or Jupiter.

Today, in England, may be seen oaks centuries old, preserved through this traditional reverence for the tree as representing the god.

The laurel was sacred to Apollo, the god of poets, and the laurel wreath became the victor's sign, as well as the emblem of high poetic merit.

The term poet laureate, or master poet, is derived from the word laurel.

The cypress, which grows no more when once cut down, was regarded by the Greeks as a symbol of death; its branches were placed by the Greeks and Romans on their funeral pyres.

Cedar wood was thought to be everlasting and therefore suitable for the carved images of the gods. Because of its quality of permanence it was later adopted by the Christians as the Christmas tree.

The olive tree was sacred to Athena, the gentle goddess of Wisdom, and the patron saint of Athens. It was to the citizens an emblem of peace and of national wealth. To the Olympic victor was given the olive spray; in Bible times the dove of Noah returned to the ark with the olive branch as a comforting talisman, and it has ever since been typical of peace.

In all ages poets have sung of the trees, and to every thoughtful person the forest is emblematic of the struggle for human existence.

The story of this tree struggle begins when the seeds are dropped from the parent trees. The comparatively few surviving seeds have difficulty in getting a foothold, or roothold, as there is danger from frost, dryness of excessive moisture.

When this is overcome the favored few have next to contend with the danger of too dense shade.

On one side every tree is engaged in a relentless struggle against its neighbor for light, water and food. On the other side, each tree is constantly working with all its neighbors, even those which stand at some distance, to bring about the best condition of the soil and air, for the growth and fighting power of every other tree; a forest helps to protect its neighbors against the winds which might overthrow them, and against the sun, which is ready to dry up the soil at the roots. It enriches the earth, in which they stand, by the fall of its leaves, and aids in keeping air about their crowns and the soil about their roots, cooler in summer and warmer in winter than it would be if each stood alone.

Trees in communities speak to us with voices even stronger than those of individual trees, typifying, as they do, life's struggles and victories.

Children should be taught to reverence trees.

Last summer two little boys came with their parents to spend the day in the home of a friend of mine.

My friend is a lover of trees, and her greatest prize is a graceful silver leaf birch. Its plumey foliage and straight white stem, contrasted with the darker trunks near it, make it seem a dainty princess in the company of kingly elms and maples. It had been brought out of its native environment at great care and expense to ornament this particular garden space.

The little boys who came to visit were born in California and had never before beheld a birch tree. Their father, impressing the personality of a new tree upon them, explained how Indians, in the early days of our country, had stripped such trees of their bark to fashion canoes.

Later, when the grown folks had left the porch, which commanded a view of the exquisite birch, the boys dashed out and, with their penknives, girdled the trunk, ruining its beauty forever. It was the work of only a few moments, but my friend said she could scarcely have felt worse if they had skinned her youngest child.

Granted that these boys were ingenius and were embodying in their play the knowledge gained from their father, yet the flaw in their Nature training is unforgivable. That is the sin of those parents—that they had never taught the children a proper reverence for trees, to say nothing of a proper regard for other people's property.

Parents should talk about flowers and trees with their children; teach them to observe their various forms and changes, and, above all, teach them a love for God's beautiful works, which shall prevent their torture and death. Lessons of beauty, of strength, of joy and of peace have the trees throughout the ages been teaching men.

Today science has revealed to our generation new ways of preserving and renewing the forests, and it is our duty as a nation to promote tree culture.

I once heard a woman say, "Why should I plant a tree? I shall never live to see it grow up!"

We live in that section of Ohio through which Johnny Appleseed passed nearly 100 years ago, planting for us the apple orchards that in the years to come, long after his earthly work was done, were to yield a part of our most bountiful and necessary treasures.

Centuries before, in far away Japan, a nameless beggar had set the long avenue of criptonaria, under whose cathedral arches generations have since passed, to call him blessed.

In the cemetery at Charleston, S. C., stands a live oak tree, the largest of its kind, which spreads its wide branches over a vast area, forming a natural leafy arbor, as the center of an ideal resting place. We know not if this tree was planted by human hand, but human care has helped to cherish it and has made it one of the most glorious possession of our country.

Tree culture and tree preservation is a work for all the ages, and in which a child may share.

"The calm shade
Shall bring a kindred calm, and the sweet breeze
That makes the green leaves dance shall waft a balm
To thy sick heart."

—William Cullen Bryant.

## Our Correspondents

Will some of the dear readers of the Peace Page give in these columns a list of the most easily digested foods? I am a York state farmer's wife and have been troubled with indigestion for several years, and at last have concluded to try to overcome it through my eating. I would also be thankful to any one who would tell me how to clean a yoke of cream colored lace in a dress. It has been soiled from a black wrap. I have been a reader of the dear old Blade for several years and receive much help and comfort from its pages.—A Mother of Three, Wellsville, N. Y.

Do you chew your food thoroughly? That is the secret of good digestion, usually. You can eat almost any simple food, if it is thoroughly masticated.—M. H.

"A Friend," Helena, Montana, has promised to write us a letter of the beauties of her state. All will enjoy it, I am sure.

Mae Scott of Dayton, Pa., would like very much to hear from De Roscoe of Ohio, whose letter appeared in the M. G. R. over a year ago. I believe the date was December 7, 1911. —Mae Scott, Dayton, Pa.

Miss Myrtle Jackson, who has been very ill, writes to thank you for the cards sent at Christmas.

Pear trees need iron. Place iron shavings from a foundry in a little trench dug near the pear tree, and the tree will help itself to iron.—G. I. Eckl.

B. W., I have two grain sacks full of worsted rags that I will sell for rugs, or I would furnish the rags for two rugs for one for myself. I have any amount of calico rags of all colors also. Yours respectfully, Mrs. J. C. Olin, Iowa.

Mrs. H. R. M. raises canaries for pin money and says she finds good money in it, too.—M. H.

## OUR COOK BOOK

LEMON COOKIES—Two and one-half cups sugar, one cup of lard or butter, one pint sweet milk, two eggs, 5 cents' worth oil lemon, 5 cents' worth baking ammonia. Knead stiff and roll thin.

BAKING POWDER—For the reader who asked how to make baking powder from cream of tartar and soda. Here is my recipe: I take one and one-fourth pounds cream of tartar and one-half pound bicarbonate of soda (baking soda). Put all into a sifter together and sift through eight or ten times. I then have one and three-quarter pounds of baking powder which never disappoints me. I get my cream of tartar and soda at the drug store and get the pure. I hope you will try it and that you will like it as well as I do.—T. L., Ohio.

ENGLISH COTTAGE PIE—Put the beef bone of your roast on to stew with cold water, one sliced onion, a few cloves, one sprig of parsley, and a bit of celery. Chop the left-over meat very fine, add pepper and salt. Strain the stock and with it make a brown sauce, using two tablespoonfuls of butter and three tablespoonfuls of flour to each cupful of liquid. Season with Worcestershire sauce and put half of it into the bottom of a baking dish, then add the minced meat, the rest of the sauce, and cover with seasoned mashed potatoes, having potato one inch deep. Bake the pie until heated through and very delicately browned.

ENGLISH SUET APPLE DUMPLINGS—This is made in one large dumpling, but not that it is not rolled but made round. Take one pint of flour, one cupful of finely-chopped suet with all the skin and fiber removed; one teaspoonful of salt and one teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix flour, salt and powder, then add suet. Mix to a firm dough with ice water. Knead two minutes and roll out half an inch thick. Put a floured cloth on your board and on this lay your dough and fill with sliced apples mixed with sugar and a little cinnamon. Draw up the sides of the crust with the cloth to completely cover the apples. Tie the cloth, leaving room for the pudding to swell. Drop in a kettle of rapidly-boiling water, with a wire stand placed in the bottom to prevent the dumpling from sticking. Keep the water at a rapid and constant boil for two hours. Do not allow the water to stop boiling or the dumpling will be heavy. Serve with cream and sugar or liquid sauce; maple sauce goes nicely with this. If you prefer a steamed dumpling put it in the steamer for three hours.

BOILED ORANGE ROLY-POLY.—This fruit roll is made in the south with the "windfalls" of the orange grove, and is hailed with delight when it appears on the family board. For a soft dough take two cupfuls of flour, a large tablespoonful of sweet lard, half a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of baking soda and one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, or two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and sufficient cold water to make it hold well together. Roll out in an oblong sheet and spread thickly over it three oranges that have been peeled, sliced thin and seeded. Sprinkle generously with granulated sugar and scatter over the whole a teaspoonful of the grated yellow rind. Roll up closely, folding in the ends, and secure them with syrup or white of egg. Tie up in a well-floured cloth, leaving the ends of the cloth long enough to serve as handles for lifting the roll. Leave room for the roll to swell, and drop it into a large kettle of rapidly boiling water and keep it boiling for two hours; or lay it in a strainer for two and a half hours. This is served with lemon sauce.

### Household Suggestions.

I would like to ask a favor of the Peace Page. Will some one be so kind as to tell what will take mildew out of white goods?—Mrs. J. J. D.

I saw an inquiry in The Blade a few weeks ago from Pennsylvania asking what would keep the pancake griddle from smoking. Take a slice of raw turnip and rub the griddle; there will be no smoke and the pancakes will not stick. I have tried it. —M. T., N. Y.

Do you know of any one who is in the home canning business? I want to start a home cannery if I can get a working knowledge of the business.—M. E. B., Va.

## AN HISTORICAL TREE

This tree stands opposite Fort Meigs, in Maumee, Lucas county, Ohio. It was from this tree that Indians fired on the American soldiers in the war of 1812-1813. The house shown in the left of this picture was at one time occupied by Chief Justice Waite, of the United States supreme court.

## MERRY-GO-ROUND

TRY TO:

Do all the good you can,
To all the people you can,
In all the ways you can,
Just as long as you can.

Object of the M. G. R.: Mental, moral and social improvement.

### GROVES GOD'S FIRST TEMPLE

Dear Friends of the Peace Page—Come with me on this beautiful Sabbath in February and attend "church." The weather is ideal, and as far as the eye can see are range upon range of timber-covered mountains, with here and there a dash of snow, far away, so beautiful in the sunlight—

"Touched by a light that hath no name,
A glory never sung,
Aloft on sky and mountain wall
Are God's great pictures hung."

Leaving my home, nestled beneath the budding fruit trees, I stroll past the old orchard fence, all moss and lichen covered, on across the pasture with its share of floral treasures, the dainty spring beauties (dentaria tenella) are nodding their fragrant blossome by the pathside, and here and there a golden buttercup is trying to rival the sun in splendor. I pause and admire and pass on to the riverside. Here the alder trees are swinging their tassels and the bushes are bursting into leaf. I now pass into the forest of giant firs, pines and oaks, all mossy and beautiful. This is the "church," with its grand aisles of trees, its mossy carpets with decoration of flowers and ferns and the sweet choir of bird voices and the sunlight stealing through the swaying branches more beautiful than any stained glass window; high overhead a glimpse of blue and the gentle murmur of the wind among the tree tops. How near we feel to the Divine Creator of all these beauties as, with reverent heart, we thank Him for all our many blessings, and, returning home, we feel we have really attended divine service.—Laurelle of Oregon.

### FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE

It has been my intention for some time to jump on the "Merry-Go-Round" and join in the fun with its members, but I have waited so long that I fear now the Cozy Corner is the proper place for me. The time is fast approaching where I shall leave my 20th year and become "of age," a grand event to which I have long looked forward.

There seem to be very few New England letters published. However, we live in one of the most beautiful spots in the United States. The mountain scenery is certainly wonderful, and by a drive of about five miles, a view of "The Great Stone Face" may be had. It is a freak of nature on the side of a very high cliff overlooking Profile Lake. The Flume, the Pool, the Basin, Old Man's Foot, Lost River are only a few of the many other wonders that surround us.

In winter or early spring we are endowed with "The Snow Cross," which rests in the ravine on Mt. Lafayette, plainly visible from any part of our little village.

We have been readers of the Blade nearly ever since I can remember, and The Poets' Corner, Merry-Go-Round and Cozy Corner have interested me most.

My birthday is March 23 and would like so much to have cards from my dear Blade friends. Would like the messages to be something about the country in which you live, especially if you are very far west or south. With best wishes for the remainder of 1913.—One of You now).—R. L. S., Franconia, N. H.

### A NEW JERSEY TOWN

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Peace Page—I have been so pleased and interested in the letters I read that I think I will tell you a little of our town, as Bridgeton, N. J., has two beautiful lakes and a park and many places of amusement, also many different kinds of industries, several schools and 22 churches. So you can see that the people are religious as well as industrious, and most of the people own their homes, and this is a city of beautiful homes. It is springtime and the birds are coming back. But the cardinal birds, the bluejays and robins stay with us all winter. We have the catbird and the goldfinch in summertime as well, and we have in our park quite a few squirrels that are very tame and are uite an interesting addition to our park.—Mrs. B. of Bridgeton, N. J.

### KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

I always enjoy reading the letters from different parts of our great nation.

I see several speak about the blues. To all who are subject to them I would prescribe as a remedy the reading of the book written by Orison Sivet Marden entitled Peace, Power and Plenty.

Have I a hobby? Yes, "Education." Education of the youth, physically, mentally and spiritually.—Valentine, Missouri.

## A Line a Day

I think the paper is just grand, and when I feel blue I pick one of The Blade papers and I turn to the Peace Page. I get a lot of real help from the cheerful letters.—Juanita, Mich.

I love The Blade just as dearly as ever and the Peace Page best of all. What a dear word is "peace." The Bible says that peacemakers are blessed and shall be called the children of God.—M. F., New York State.

I do not believe in doing as some of the suffragettes are doing. They show by their actions that they are not fit to help govern the people.—Mrs. D. I., Michigan.

I believe that children do better if they know that you trust them. Children never forget what parents tell them.—Martha Head.

My hobbies are plenty of fresh air and cleanliness. How much better one can sleep in a well ventilated room, and how much easier it is to keep a house clean, especially the kitchen.—P., M. A., Va.

I have a large box full of clipped songs, and when I get lonesome it is a great comfort to get that box and read and sing to my heart's content.—C. S., Indiana.

I have received much benefit from the Poets' Corner.—W.H. H., Kentucky.

### POST CARD EXCHANGE

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## POETS' CORNER

### MEDDLESOME MATTY

(Author Unknown.)

Oh, how one ugly trick has spoiled
The sweetest and the best!
Matilda, though a pleasant child,
One grievous fault possessed,
Which, like a cloud before the skies,
Hid all her better qualities.

Sometimes she'd lift the teapot lid
To peep at what was in it;
Or tilt the kettle, if you did
But turn your back a minute.
In vain you told her not to touch,
Her trick of meddling grew so much.

Her grandmamma went out one day
And, by mistake, she laid
Her spectacles and snuffbox gay
Too near the little maid;
"Ah, well," thought she, "I'll try them on,
As soon as grandmamma is gone."

Forthwith she placed upon her nose
The glasses, large and wide,
And looking round, as I suppose,
The snuffbox, too, she spied.
"Oh, what a pretty box is this!
I'll open it said little miss.

"I know that grandmamma would say
'Don't meddle with it, dear;'
But then she's far enough away,
And no one else is near;
Beside, what can there be amiss
In opening such a box as this?"

So thumb and finger went to work
To move the stubborn lid;
And presently, a mighty jerk,
The mighty mischief did;
For all at once, ah! woeful case!
The snuff came puffing in her face.

Poor eyes, and nose, and mouth, and chin,
A dismal sight presented;
And as the snuff got further in,
Sincerely she repented.
In vain she ran about for ease,
She could do nothing else but sneeze.

She dashed the spectacles away
To wipe her tingling eyes,
And as in twenty bits they lay,
Her grandmamma, she spies.
"Heydey! And what's the matter now?"
Cried grandmamma, with angry brow.

Matilda, smarting with the pain,
And tingling still, and sore,
Made many a promise to refrain
From meddling evermore;
And 'tis a fact, as I have heard,
She ever since has kept her word.

### THE EVERGREENS

Mrs. T. E. Bals.

Off all the evergreens we know
That's left to live through cold and snow,
None can excel the Christmas holly,
Which decks our home and bids be jolly.

It's leaves so green and berries red
Remind us that the world's not dead.
But forth 'twill come and in the spring
From out the earth the flowers will bring.

And then there is the mistletoe,
Beneath which many a bashful beau
Has for the first time felt the bliss
Of just one sweet, enraptured kiss.

Balsam and spruce, laurel and fir,
Which one the most our hearts can stir?
I think that you will all agree,
It is the glorious Christmas tree!

### CHILDREN

Henry W. Longfellow.

What the leaves are to the forest,
With the light and air for food,
Ere their sweet and tender juices
Have been hardened into wood—

That the world are children!
Through them it feels the glow
Of a brighter, sunnier climate
That reaches the trunk below.

Come to me, oh, ye children!
And whisper in my ear
What the birds and the winds are singing,
In your sunny atmosphere.

Ye are better than all the ballads
That ever were sung or said,
For ye are the living poems
And all the rest are dead.

### THE GRINDSTONE TURNING

By Adelbert F. Caldwell,
Greencastle, Ind.

When the milking had been finished
and the cows were turned away,
While the "hired hands" were pitching
off the last night's load of hay,
Long before breakfast was ready, and
'twas early even then—
Up at half past four was mother, cooking for the hungry men.
Father said ('twas always standing
underneath the sweeting tree),
"I'll have time the scythes to sharpen;
turn the grindstone, Tom, for me!"

On a salt-box in the orchard, straight
I took my accustomed place,
While the sun from o'er the corn-house
tickled with warm rays my face,
And my bare feet, almost strangers to
my trousers legs—though new,
In the green grass 'neath the grindstone bathed themselves in cooling dew;
While the crank I kept on turning;
'twas an Ixion wheel to me.
Why such punishment for being just a
boy I could not see!

First one side and then the other
father'd press upon the stone,
Only fun that, to my thinking; it was
work, my part, alone!
Then from out a rusty dipper—how
plain now 'tis to my ken—
Father'd pour the trickling water—
slowly—o'er and o'er again.
Then he'd raise the scythe to test it,
holding it before the light;
"Edge is just a trifle wiry; 'tisn't
sharp enough—not quite!"

Then I'd turn with renewed vigor;
he'd a little harder press—
P'haps he didn't, yet it seemed so at
the time, I must confess.
Said I petulantly, "Father," no boy had
a kinder one,
"I am getting tired of turning; tell me,
artn't you almost done?"
And he answered, "Tired of turning?
Why, in competition's strife,
He who conquers—let me tell you—
turns a grindstone all his life!

He must keep the crank a-turning,
boy, there mustn't be a lull,
If he stops but for a moment, he will
find himself grow dull!
But," he said, and homely wisdom
shone from 'neath his suntanned mask,
"He must never feel the turning of
the crank to be a task!"
And I've found in my experience that
my father's words were true—
One the crank must keep on turning,
if he's what's worth while to do.
He must turn it, too, with pleasure;
look at it, in fact, as fun,
As he played in mystic Boyland, till
the game his side had won!

### EACH AND ALL

Ralph Waldo Emerson.

I thought the sparrow's note from
Heaven,
Singing at dawn on the alder bough;
I brought him home, in his nest, at
even;
He sings the song, but it pleases not
now,
For I did not bring home the river
and sky;
He sang to my ear—they sing to my
eye.

The delicate shells lay on the shore;
The bubbles of the latest wave
Fresh pearls to their enamel gave;
And the bellowing savage sea
Greeted their safe escape to me.
I wiped away the weeds and foam;
I fetched my sea-born treasures home;
But the poor, unsightly, noisome
things
Had left their beauty on the shore,
With the sun, and the sand and the
wild uproar.

Then I said: "I covet Truth;
Beauty is unripe childhood's cheat;
I leave it behind with the games of
youth."
As I spoke, beneath my feet
The ground pine curled its pretty
wreath
Running over the club moss burrs;
I inhaled the violet's breath;
Around me stood the oaks and firs;
Pine cones and acorns lay on the
ground;
Over me soared the eternal sky,
Full of light and deity.
Again I saw, again I heard
The rolling river, the morning bird—
Beauty through my senses stole;
I yielded myself to the perfect whole.

## THE COZY CORNER

OUR MOTTO:

Here we meet for
Health, Happiness and
Good cheer.

### FLOWERS

Flowers are useful in many ways. They are so necessary that a home without their presence seems incomplete. For they are nature's gifts to brighten the earth and sweeten the air, and their beauty beckons us to think of peace, friendship and home. For the welcome presence of gorgeous blooms is more beautiful than the gilded artificial ornamentations men design. The flaming brightness of the Oriental poppy, erect in the May breeze, surpasses in the simple grandeur of its beauty the gaudy embellishments men create. And the humble violet, in the sweetness of its existence, shames the vanities of man.

The June roses, the morning glories at the window, and the moon flowers and primroses sweet in the evening air, are the homely flowers that interweave the sentiments we love with poetry, romance and song.

For these reasons let us cultivate flowers. Let us donate space, time and care to sweeten homelife with their presence. Let us find pleasure in the cultivation and study of flowers and trees. To have beautiful flowers and trees about the home is elevating, instructive and in every way helpful to progress and homelife improvement. So let us work to awaken sentiment in behalf of trees and flowers, for without them the home environments are deficient in beauty.—W. E. Umholtz.

### "A ROSE HEDGE"

Dear Sisters of The Blade—"A thing of beauty is a joy forever," so I want to pass along the good spirit. I want to tell the readers of the Peace Page how we made our rose hedge.

We had the "Armour River Privet" hedge on three sides of our lawn and decided on a rose hedge for the other side.

First, we made a stout wire fence, then planted a "Dorothy Perkins" rose bush between each post, and trained the rose on the fence. It has been planted three years and is entirely covered now with the roses. In the spring it is a perfect mass of lovely pink roses.

The rose grows readily from cuttings and will soon transform any unsightly place into a thing of beauty, and is no trouble whatever to grow, as it requires no pruning, only to be trained to the fence. With best wishes to The Blade and its readers.—Mrs. N. B. H., Burlington, North Carolina.

### A GARDEN FOR THE GIRLS

Dear Cozy Corner friends—I am always glad when the Blade comes to our home for it always cheers us up, especially my two little girls. They write to The Blade every once in a while and it pleases them when they see their letters in print; one of them is eight and the other is 12 years of age. We are all very fond of riding. We take a ride in our own automobile nearly every day. We live in a little town, but we own some land in the country. I have a most beautiful flower garden out in the country. I go out to see it nearly every day when I take my ride.

This year I told my two little girls they could make a flower garden and they can hardly wait until the time comes to plant it. They are as fond of flowers as I am.

I wish some of you Blade readers would tell of some way to make children mind without whipping them.—Your friend B. from Tennessee.

### APPRECIATE PRAYING MOTHER

Dear Friends of Peace Page—I have enjoyed your many letters so much. Especially praying mothers. What could be more blessed than being the mother of ten children, and having the good heart that dear mother has? What we all need is more patience. We don't look to Jesus to heal our sorrows enough. We don't forget self like that mother. Her children will surely rise up to call her blessed. I am the mother of five, one gone on home. So I know what it is to bring them into this world, and also to see them taken away. Still I have a good husband and four healthy children, and feel that I have something to be happy for. Farmer's wife from Indiana, your letter was good. I wish the mothers would write more. I do love to read their letters.—No. 4, N. Dak.


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## BOYS AND GIRLS

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Will you admit me, a little girl of 12 summers, to your charming circle? I hail from "the land of the sky," from Asheville, the resort city of America, in the sapphire section of the old North state. The tract which is so beautiful is certainly intended for our section.

I am so interested in the poem part of The Toledo Blade and should like to correspond with any of the boys and girls who are taking elocution and music. Am in high school, and have taken boating and swimming lessons during the summer, which we spend on the coast. I am quite interested in pets also, as we have a pony and turnout, also pigeons, kittens and many choice chickens.—Edith Bland Clarke, 133 Ashland Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina.

### A Letter From a Shut-In.

Here I come, thanking you one and all for the pretty cards and interesting letters. I have received in all 207, will try and answer each one in time. So many have asked me how I happen to be a little shut-in. A year ago last October I was stricken with infantile paralysis and have not been able to walk until the last two months. Now I can get around with the aid of braces and crutches. I have not been able to attend school since my sickness. When I quit I was in the seventh grade. I enjoy the Peace Page so much and will say again the cards and letters have cheered me up. I will come again.—Eva Latham, Three Oaks, Michigan.

### A Good Description.

Dear Blade Boys and Girls—I am 9 years old; was born in the pretty mountains of Tennessee, not far from Sweet Water. One of my sisters is a missionary in faraway China. I live in the dear little town of Laurel, Ind. The town, for the most part, is on a side hill and is almost hidden with trees and shrubbery. We have lovely views of the White Water Valley. The whole country looks like a park. The river drive is charming. Artists come here to sketch. I will write you about a winter's stay in the oldest town in the United States. With joy wishes to all—Elizabeth Josephine Ricketts.

### A Youthful Aunt.

Dear Blade Children—I have been a reader of The Blade for quite a while and like it very much. I live in Zion City. It is situated between Chicago and Milwaukee. There are allowed here no doctors, drugs, pork, oysters, tobacco or saloons and things too numerous to mention. I go to school; am in the seventh grade and am 12 years old. I am an aunty to one little girl. We live in a large house on a pretty avenue, quite near the Chicago & Milwaukee Railroad. I would like very much to have The Blade girls write to me, so I am going to give you my address.—Hazey Lawrence, 2809 Gideon avenue, Zion City, Ill.

### A Flower Lover.

Dear Blade—Boys and girls, I am a girl 12 years old and live on an 85-acre farm, three miles from Belfast, O. I am in the third grade and ready for the fourth. I like to go to school. I love flowers and like to raise them. My favorite flower is the snowball, but I like most any kind of flower. I am anxious for summer to come.—Ida Hoop, Belfast, Ohio.

### SHORT AND SWEET

J. E. Mc., New Weston, O., has three guinea hens among his pets.

Says Neva S. Smith, of Proctor, W. Va.: "I have three honor roll books for not missing school for three years. Am trying for one this year. Have not missed Sunday school this year."

Dana Dale Jolliffe, Morgantown, W. Va., says that the answer to Edward Baso's riddle is "a cherry." Bertha Pugh, Millboro, N. C., gives the same answer.

A lamb named Rhodie, two cats, Nellie and Lillie, a dog, Jack, as well as two little girls, Tileta and Stella Chandler, are the playmates of Ila West and her sister and brothers, of Franklinville, N. C.


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Mrs. L. E. BOWERS, Girard, Pa., says:—

"I take pleasure in informing you of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I had a sick spell last February, and for some months after that I was not regular and had many bad feelings. I was tired all the time, had dull headaches, not much appetite, and also what the doctor called organic inflammation. Your Vegetable Compound has entirely cured me and I feel that too much cannot be said in its praise as I am now able to do my own work. You are perfectly welcome to use my testimonial for the benefit of others."—Mrs. L. E. Bowers, R.F.D. No. 1, Girard, Pa.

Mrs. ELIZABETH GENTILCORE, Buffalo, N.Y., says:—

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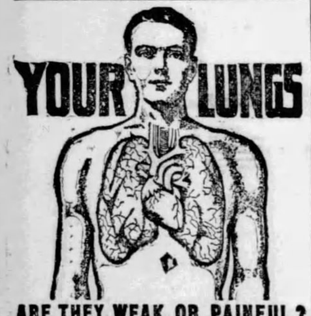


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### JOSHUA R. GIDDINGS

Please give a sketch of Joshua R. Giddings.—E. S., Randalia, Iowa.

Joshua Reed Giddings, an American statesman, was born at Athens, Pennsylvania, in 1795. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1820; elected a member of its legislature in 1826, and of congress in 1838, where he was prominent as an opponent of slavery. On different occasions in different speeches, he prophesied the Civil War, and as a political abolitionist sought to hasten it by using the power of political organization. In 1861 he was appointed consul general to British North America. He died in 1864. Among his works are: The Exiles of Florida, The Rebellion; Its Authors and Causes.

### TO SILVER MIRRORS

Will the Question Bureau kindly give a method of silvering a mirror?—M. H. H., Masontown, W. Va.

The following is a good method of silvering a mirror: Pour three drachms of quicksilver to the square foot of foil. Rub smartly with a piece of buckskin until the foil becomes brilliant. Lay the glass upon a table, face downwards, place the foil upon the back, lay a sheet of paper over the foil, and place on it a block of wood or a piece of marble with a perfectly flat surface; put upon it enough weight to press it down tight, and let it remain in that position for a few hours. The foil will adhere to the glass.

### BILLY SUNDAY

A short biography of Billy Sunday would be appreciated in the columns of the Bureau.—J. D. H., Bloomingdale, Tenn.

William Ashley Sunday, the evangelist, was born at Ames, Ia., November 19, 1863. He was educated in the public schools of Nevada, Ia., and also was a student at Northwestern University. In 1888 Sunday married Helen A. Thompson, of Chicago. He was a professional ball player from 1883 to 1890, being a member of the Philadelphia, Chicago and Pittsburg teams of the National League. In 1891 he was appointed assistant secretary of the Chicago Y. M. C. A., which position he held until 1895. The following year he became an evangelist. In 1902 Sunday was ordained a Presbyterian minister by the Chicago Presbytery. From 1904 to 1907 he received from 1,000 to 3,000 converts a month.

### ROBERT L. STEVENSON

Please give a biography of Robert L. Stevenson.—C. C. Wilmington, Ohio.

Robert Louis Balfour Stevenson, the scottish novelist, poet, and essayist, was born November 18, 1850, and died December 3, 1894. He went through Edinburgh University, was called to the Scottish bar, and was admitted a member of the faculty of advocates in 1875. But literature was his real vocation. His works are numerous and make interesting reading. Stevenson's health was always precarious and after various changes of residence, including one at Saranac lake in the Adirondacks, he went to the southern Pacific in 1888, and finally settled in Samoa, where he died.

### SIMON BOLIVAR

Will you kindly give a sketch of Simon Bolivar?—C. E. D., New Weston, Ohio.

Simon Bolivar, the South American liberator, was born at Caracas, 1873, and died in 1830. He was educated in Spain and was married when 18, his wife dying soon afterwards. He offered his services to the revolutionary junta a year before Venezuela declared its independence in 1811. From this time on he was very prominent in the affairs of that country, partaking in many battles until 1819, when the independence of Venezuela and New Granada was recognized and both were united as the Republic of Panama, which union continued until the close of the year 1830. The constitution of Colombia was adopted in 1821 with Bolivar as president. He aided the people of the region lying south of Colombia and north of Peru to gain their independence and assumed the presidency at Lima. In 1825 he visited upper Peru, which in his honor received the name Bolivar, when it was organized as a separate republic. After returning to Venezuela in 1826 he was re-elected to the presidency, but showed great reluctance in retaining an office, the powers of which were inadequate to hold together in permanent union the three states. He was unsuccessful in holding them together, and resigned.

### GOVERNMENT WHITEWASH

Kindly print the receipt for government whitewash.—J. T. H., McPherson, Kas.

Following is the receipt: Slack one-half bushel of lime with boiling water, keeping it covered during the process. Strain it and add a peck of salt, dissolved in warm water, and boiled to a thin paste; one-half pound of powdered Spanish whiting and a pound of clear glue, dissolved in warm water; mix these well together and let the mixture stand for several days. Keep the wash thus prepared in a kettle or portable furnace, and when used, put it on as hot as possible.

### THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY

Please publish a short description of the National Highway.—M. S. B., Fond du Lac, Wis.

Henry Clay was the person largely responsible for the construction of the highway across the Appalachian mountains. It was only through his perseverance that congress made enough appropriations to build the road. The highway connected the District of Columbia with the Ohio river. Commenced in 1806, and built at a cost of $1,800,000, it was the first internal improvement of any magnitude undertaken at public expense. Before the close of the year 1831 over $200,000 had been expended upon it in repairs. The road ran from a point nearly opposite Steubenville, Ohio, and Wheeling, in West Virginia, through Ohio and Allegheny counties to Cumberland, thence through Cumberland and Washington counties and in Frederick county to Frederickton, all in Maryland. Connecting there was a road that led to Baltimore and one that led to Washington, D. C. The national road had a uniform width of 80 feet and was afterward extended westward from the Ohio river to Indianapolis.

### PROHIBITION STATES

I would like to have the Question Bureau give the names of the prohibition states of the Union.—A. F. A., Walnut, Iowa.

The states having state-wide prohibition are Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Tennessee, West Virginia and Maine.

### ASSOCIATED PRESS

What is the Associated Press?—C. C. C., Sylvania, Ala.

The Associated Press is an organization for gathering and distributing information and reports of current events for daily newspapers. It was organized about 1860. It maintains resident correspondents in the larger American cities, and in London, Paris, Rome and the foreign capitals. All of the large papers lease a number of wires from the Association.

### JOHN A. DAHLGREN

Will you kindly publish a biographical sketch of John A. Dahlgren?—J. N. T., Lake City, Colo.

John Adolph Dahlgren, an American naval officer, was born at Philadelphia, November 13, 1809, and died at Washington in 1870. In 1826 he entered the navy of the United States as a midshipman, in 1837 was advanced to the rank of lieutenant, and in 1855 to that of commander. From the year 1847 he was employed on ordnance duty, and invented the cannon which are called after him Dahlgren guns, also contriving a more effective method of arming gun boats with 12 to 24 pounder howitzers, throwing canister shot and shrapnel shells. At the outbreak of the Civil War he was commander of the naval station at Washington; in July, 1862, he undertook the supreme command of the South Atlantic squadron, and after the death of Admiral Foote, in 1863, was appointed to the command of the fleet stationed before Charleston. He is the author of Thirty-Two Pound Practice for Ranges, Systems of Boat Armament in the United States Navy, Ordnance Memoranda, and others.

### MAELSTROM

Please give a description of maelstrom.—C. W., Fairview, W. Va.

Maelstrom, or Mosko-strom, Norway, is a rapid current or tidal whirlpool off the northwest coast immediately southwest of Moskenesoe, the southernmost point of the Lofoten Isles. The current runs with the tides alternately, six hours from north to south, and six hours from south to north, producing immense whirls. The depth of the water around, supposed at one time to be too great to admit of soundings, has been ascertained not to exceed 20 fathoms, with a bottom of rocks and white sand. Immediately to the west the soundings are from 100 to 200 fathoms. The whirlpool is greatest at high or low water. When the wind is northwest and opposed to the reflux of the waves it attains its greatest fury and becomes extremely dangerous, but in ordinary circumstances it may be traversed without difficulty.

### ORIGIN OF EASTER

I would like to know something of the origin of Easter.—F. H., Springfield, Ohio.

Easter is the Christian passover and festival of the resurrection of Christ. The English name is derived from that of the Teutonic goddess, spring, Ostera or Eostre, whose festival occurred in early spring.

Formerly the Jews celebrated the day on the 14th day of the month of March. The Christians also celebrated it in the same month, but always on Sunday. Sometimes both Christians and Jews celebrated it the same day. This was thought un-Christian, and therefore it was decided that Easter should be on the first Sunday after the full moon which happens on or next after the 21st of March. If the full moon happens on a Sunday than Easter is the first Sunday following.

### MISCELLANEOUS

R. R., Sardinia, Ohio.—London's population, with suburbs, is 7,252,963. New York's is 6,501,178.

S. B. H., Warwick, N. D.—By an act of congress of June, 1878, half the expenses of the District of Columbia, previously laid entirely upon the residents, are paid by the national government.

E. R., Crandall, S. D.—The Bureau printed an article on the Daughters of the Revolution January 16.

C. E. L., Georgetown, Ill.—We can give you nothing on the murder of Pearl Bryan.

N. S., Dumas, Pa.—We have no reference mentioning Fort Frederick.

M. W. R., Mill Creek, Pa.—There was a panic in the United States in 1907, brought on by reckless speculation and mismanagement of financial institutions.

C. C. C., Wolf Mountain, N. C.—Do not understand what you mean by free delivery of parcel post matter. It is delivered free everywhere.

P. W., Akron, Ind.—The total enlisted force of the United States army is 81,547 men, staff and line.

H. E. W., Abingdon, Va.—We have no biography of Arnold Bennett.

**Opportunities of interest to you. Read the Classified Opportunities column on last page.**

## GIRLS' WAGES RAISED

**International Harvester Co. Makes $8 Minimum.**

Chicago, March 20.—President Cyrus H. McCormick of the International Harvester Co., made the announcement last night that beginning next Monday the minimum wage for girls and women employed anywhere in the United States by the company will be $8 a week.

The present minimum is $5 a week for apprentices.

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No matter how bad your complexion is, Stuart's Calcium Wafers will work wonders with it. You can get these little wonder-workers at your druggist's for 50 cents a package.


## Will Be New Treasurer of U. S.

Washington, March 20.—Ex-Governor John Burke, of North Dakota, will be the next treasurer of the United States. Mr. Burke is to succeed Carmi A. Thompson, formerly secretary to President Taft, who became treasurer last fall. The post pays a salary of $8,000 per annum.

## WILLIAM ROCKEFELLER GAINS

**General Health Is Better, Though Throat Trouble Remains.**

New York, March 22.—William Rockefeller has returned to his home at 689 Fifth avenue. His health in general is better, so much so, in fact, that the trip from Jekyl Island was fairly comfortable. His throat, Dr. Walter F. Chappell reports, is about the same as it was at the time of his breakdown before the Pujo committee.

## GREEK KING TAKES THE OATH

**Constantine Then Starts for Saloniki for Father's Body.**

Athens, March 22.—King Constantine of Greece, took the constitutional oath of office in the chamber of deputies Friady under auspicious circumstances.

The king started for Saloniki last night to bring to Athens the body of his slain father, George I.


## New Retainer for Rupture

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# SUFFRAGETTES BURN FINE HOME

**Women Near London Set Fire to $100,000 Worth of Property.**

London, March 20.—Two "arson squads" of militant suffragettes succeeded in destroying a hundred thousand dollars worth of property early today.

One squad burned down the country residence of Lady Amy White at Englefield Green, near the Thames. The other squad fired the buildings of the Golf Club at Weston-Super-Mare, a fashionable watering place in Somersetshire.

Lady White is the widow of Field Marshall Sir George White, the hero of Ladysmith in the Transvaal war. Her house was a big mansion standing in spacious grounds. The flames were discovered at 1 o'clock this morning and at that time had such a start that the efforts of the local fire brigade were hopeless. Traces of oil and inflammable materials were found scattered about the house, while around the grounds were papers inscribed, "Stop torturing our comrades in prison," "Votes for women," "By kind permission of Charles Hobhouse," the last being a reference to the recent taunt of Chancellor Hobhouse that "women lack the real revolutionary spirit of men who burn and sack in support of their cause."

Two women on bicycles were seen in the neighborhood half an hour before the fire was discovered. The house was unoccupied.

The incendiaries of the golf pavilions also escaped. There are many suffragettes now in that neighborhood owing to the meeting of the National Teachers' conference, at which Viscount Haldane, Lord High Chancellor, is scheduled to deliver an address.

## President Wilson Proves Clever at Political Game

**By J. A. Mathews.**

Washington, D. C., March 19.—Senator Pomerene has had a personal experience by way of demonstrating of the futility of trying to make over the Democratic party into an instrument for promoting Progressive legislation. The senator has shown more usefulness and independence in advancing progressive legislation as a member of the committee on the District of Columbia than in any other capacity. By his independent course on that committee and the measures he has advocated and helped to pass for the amelioration of the conditions that oppress the citizens of Washington who have been burdened by public service corporations as few municipalities have been, the Ohio senator earned the gratitude of the people of the capital and there was a popular demand and an expectation that Senator Pomerene would be chairman of the District of Columbia committee to carry on the work he had begun. As chairman of the district committee he could have been more useful than ever before. He expected it. But when the committee assignments were made up by the Democratic Steering committee, Senator Pomerene found himself chairman of the committee of civil service and retrenchment, an inocuous committee that seldom meets and when it does deals with conditions in the department in Washington. He will remain on the district committee, it is true, but the chairman is Senator Smith, of Maryland, a well known reactionary who would hesitate a long time before putting any public service corporation to inconvenience.

Senator Pomerene was not pleased. When he complained to some of his colleagues, he was told, it is said, that he had not given personal attention to advancing his ambition for committee assignments or he would have fared better. In short, the senator who had been serving on two important investigating committees of the senate was punished for attending to his public duties.

**Believed Progressive.**

Ohio Democrats who supported President Wilson in his preconvention campaign because they believed him to be a Progressive Democrat and who looked forward to a real progressive administration are giving serious thought to some political happenings under this administration. They have seen the secretary of the treasury and the attorney general both taken from New York; they have seen the head of the department of commerce, under which falls the work of the bureau of corporations, chosen from the same city. Furthermore, the assistant secretary of the treasury, who will deal with fiscal affairs, is a Richmond banker, John Skelton Williams, whose name is best remembered because of his association with the fortunes of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, selected on the recommendation of Senators Martin and Swanson, of Virginia, two men who worked most energetically against the Progressive program at Baltimore. Both senators opposed Widson, a native of their own state, and were responsible for seating Thos. F. Ryan, of New York, in the Virginia delegation at Baltimore, from which point he became the center of Mr. Bryan's fire.

**Another From New York.**

It is learned that still another secretary of the treasury is to be appointed from New York. For many years it has been a source of complaint by Democrats in congress that the treasury department was in relations too close with Wall street. It was announced and expected that President Wilson would select both his attorney general and his secretary of treasury from another locality. Attorney General McReynolds is credited to Tennessee, but he has lived in New York and practiced law there since he gave up an office in the department of justice. His work in the tobacco trust case and other anti-trust cases gives hope to many Democrats here that he will serve the public well, but the president's political followers in congress who call themselves Progressive Democrats admit that they believe the moral effect would have been better if the attorney general had been taken from some other locality.

**Wilson's Political Future.**

There is considerable interest here in the many manifestations of a plan by the new President to build for his political future. It was said of Senator Lodge once that while he was a fine example of the "scholar in politics" that no one should fall into the error of supposing that "there is no politics in the scholar." President Wilson seems to qualify in the same respect. Every move made by the new President appears to be directed towards harmonizing differences in his party and building a strong organization. His appointments thus far suggest a far-reaching purpose of healing differences and restoring party harmony. Such, for example as his sending for Speaker Clark and Senator Stone, relaxing his rule, announced only a few days before, that cabinet officers should first consider applications for appointments, and upon the request of the speaker and Senator Stone naming ex-Governor Dockery as assistant postmaster general without consulting Postmaster General Burleson and receiving suggestions as to diplomatic appointments from the same source in cheerful disregard of Secretary Bryan.

It was evidently a sop to the speaker, who has not felt comfortable since the Baltimore convention. It is known that President Wilson entered the White House with a feeling that unless he stroked Speaker Clark's fur the smooth way, he would have that gentleman as a dangerous rival in 1916. The few nominations that have been made thus far have been distributed with a careful regard for their political effect. There is also a disposition apparently to reorganize the Democratic national committee, else why should its principal officers be offered foreign posts that would take them out of the country and render them incapable of continuing their official connection with the committee? McCombs for Paris; Davies, of Wisconsin, offered the embassy at Rome, with the implied suggestion that he must surrender his place as secretary of the national committee. By two diplomatic appointments the national committee was to be rendered chairmanless and secretaryless. Both men declined any appointment that would take them out of the national committee.

**Some Credit McAdoo.**

Some political observers credit this scheme to reorganize the committee to McAdoo, who would thus get rid of the influence of McCombs, between whom and McAdoo there is a feud of such proportions that they do not speak to each other. They credit the offers to the chairman and secretary respectively, to the influence of the secretary of the treasury who may desire the party affairs administered by hands more friendly to himself and his political plans. But President Wilson must have had a purpose in making the offers of these diplomatic posts aside from a mere desire to oblige Mr. McAdoo.

Altogether there is a belief that the President has started out to play the political game.


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## M'COMBS AND ELIOT DECLINE

Washington, March 22.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the national Democratic committee, last night issued the statement announcing that he had declined to become ambassador to France.

Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard university, has declined President Wilson's offer of the ambassadorship to Great Britain, it is reported. Dr. Eliot's declining to accept the post is said to be based on his advanced years and modest circumstances.

## SHACKELTON ON EXPEDITION

**English Explorer Announces He Will Return to Antarctic.**

London, March 24.—Just before his departure for New York on the steamer Mauretania yesterday, Sir Ernest Shackleton announced that he intended to head a scientific expedition to the antarctic.

## CASTRO ON WAY TO HAMBURG

Cherbourg, France, March 24.—General Cipriano Castro arrived here this morning from New York on board the Amerika which had been considerably delayed by the stormy weather. He did not disembark, but proceeded with the liner to Hamburg.

## FIVE DIE IN EXPLOSION

**Ten Men Hurt and $100,000 Damage Done.**

**Medicine Hat, Alta., March 20.—Five are dead and ten badly injured as the result of the explosion of gas generated in the burning three story building of the Western Canada cold storage and packing plant here last night. The property loss exceeds $100,000. Fear that many more were buried in the ruins of the plant practically was set at rest early today when searching parties failed to find bodies. It is thought that all of the injured will recover.**

Many of the injured were spectators who, watching the fire, were crushed when three of the walls were forced outward by the explosion.

## LONGFELLOW'S GRANDSON IS A STREET CAR CONDUCTOR

Boston, Mass., March 19.—Edmund Trowbridge Dana, grandson of the poet Longfellow and possessing master of arts and bachelor of arts degrees conferred by Harvard university, is working as a conductor for the Middlesex & Boston street railway company at 21 cents an hour.

The former Harvard athlete and instructor, whose "ethical" marriage last June to Jessie Holliday, an English portrait painter, aroused great discussion both in this country and abroad because of the fact that the bride wrote the ritual, declares that there has been no rift in his married life and vigorously denies reports of an estrangement.

Young Dana says that while his wife has been in England since last October, she is planning to rejoin him the first week in April. Meanwhile he is serving as a "spare" conductor for the street railway company, making his headquarters at the car barn on Main street, Waltham, and taking "runs" which in the main are confined to the route from Waverly to Newton by way of Waltham.

When things "break right" Dana gets as high as $14.50 per week for his seven days' work. His agreement with the company calls for at least $10.50 per week. Prior to obtaining the position he "fired" an engine on the Fitchburg division of the Boston & Maine railroad, but threw up the place after two days, as the heat proved too intense. Before that he hired out for his board as a farm hand at Groton, living in a small outbuilding.


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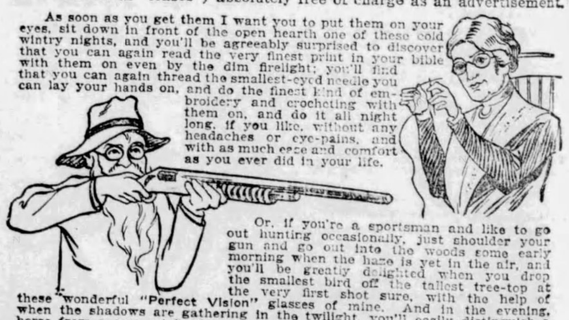

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## THE MARKETS

Toledo, March 24.—There was steadiness at the opening of the local grain mart Monday morning with very little trading being accomplished. Wires carrying Chicago quotations were out of order at the opening and prevented the dealers getting any knowledge of the condition of that market. This, coupled with the fact of the private wires being out of commission, prevented news of other markets being received and the domestic situation was not obtainable. Therefore the local openings were nearly the same as Saturday's closing prices with nothing to influence them one way or the other. Commission dealers had no means of communicating with their customers at the start and no orders were forthcoming.

TOLEDO.

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close Mar. 24. | Close Mar. 22. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | | |
| Cash | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09 |
| May | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09¼ | 1.09⅛ |
| July | 93 | 93½ | 93 | 93⅛ | 93 |
| Sept. | 92¼ | 92¼ | 92¼ | 92¼ | 92¼ |
| Corn— | | | | | |
| Cash | .... | .... | .... | 53 | 52½ |
| May | 54⅝ | 55 | 54⅝ | 55 | 54½ |
| July | 56¾ | 57 | 56⅝ | 56⅞ | 56½ |
| Sept. | 57⅝ | 58 | 57⅝ | 57⅝ | 57½ |
| Oats— | | | | | |
| Cash | .... | .... | .... | 35 | 34½ |
| May | 36½ | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36⅛ |
| July | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36 |
| Sept. | 35½ | 35⅝ | 35½ | 35⅝ | 35¾ |
| Clover Seed— | | | | | |
| Cash | 12.15 | 12.30 | 12.15 | 12.30 | 12.15 |
| March | 12.15 | 12.30 | 12.15 | 12.30 | 12.15 |
| April | 11.60 | 11.67 | 11.60 | 11.67½ | 11.62½ |
| Oct. | 7.90 | 7.90 | 7.90 | 7.90 | 7.87½ |
| Rye— | | | | | |
| No. 2 | .... | .... | .... | 62 | 62 |
| Alsike— | | | | | |
| Prime | 12.50 | .... | .... | 12.55 | 12.50 |
| March | 12.50 | .... | .... | 12.55 | 12.50 |
| Timothy— | | | | | |
| Prime | 1.75 | .... | .... | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| March | 1.75 | .... | .... | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| April | 1.75 | .... | .... | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| May | 1.77½ | .... | .... | 1.77½ | 1.77½ |
| Sept. | 2.00 | .... | .... | 2.00 | 2.00 |

CHICAGO.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | | |
| May | 90⅝ | 91¾ | 90¼ | 90½ | 90½ |
| July | 90¼ | 90⅞ | 89⅝ | 90¼ | 90 |
| Sept. | 90½ | 90⅝ | 89⅝ | 89⅝ | 89⅝ |
| Corn— | | | | | |
| May | 53½ | 54 | 53¼ | 53⅝ | 53⅝ |
| July | 54⅝ | 55¼ | 54½ | 54⅞ | 54⅝ |
| Sept. | 55⅝ | 56 | 55⅝ | 55⅞ | 55⅝ |
| Oats— | | | | | |
| May | 34 | 34¼ | 33⅝ | 33⅝ | 33⅞ |
| July | 33⅝ | 33⅞ | 33⅜ | 33⅜ | 33⅝ |
| Sept. | 33⅝ | 33⅞ | 33⅜ | 33⅜ | 33⅝ |

ST. LOUIS.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | | |
| May | .... | .... | .... | 89⅝ | 89⅝ |
| July | .... | .... | .... | 88⅝ | 88⅛ |

CHICAGO PROVISIONS.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pork— | | | | | |
| May | 20.85 | 21.00 | 20.85 | 20.87 | 20.82 |
| July | 20.57 | 20.65 | 20.55 | 20.62 | 20.50 |
| Sept. | 20.00 | 20.12 | 20.00 | 20.10 | 19.90 |
| Lard— | | | | | |
| May | 11.12 | 11.22 | 11.02 | 11.15 | 11.00 |
| July | 10.90 | 11.07 | 10.90 | 11.02 | 10.87 |
| Sept. | 10.87 | 11.00 | 10.87 | 10.95 | 10.87 |
| Ribs— | | | | | |
| May | 11.10 | 11.20 | 11.10 | 11.20 | 11.10 |
| July | 10.90 | 10.97 | 10.90 | 10.92 | 10.85 |
| Sept. | 10.85 | 10.85 | 10.80 | 10.80 | 10.70 |

### Cotton.

New York, March 24.—Cotton—Futures opened steady; March, 12.88c; May, 11.88c; June, 11.80c bid; June, 11.82c; August, 11.76c; September, 11.44c; October, 11.38c; November offered 11.40c; December, 11.40c; January, 11.37c; February offered 11.36c.

The cotton market opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 6 points. With Liverpool closed, trading here was comparatively quiet. Storm reports prompted some covering, while there was also moderate support from trade sources. After slight recessions the market sold about 4 to 8 points net higher.

Advices from New Orleans reported storm warnings posted for the Texas and Louisiana coasts, but the news failed to stimulate any buying of consequence and the market at midday was dull with prices about 2 or 3 points net higher. Spot quiet; middling uplands 12.90c nominal. Estimated receipts at all ports today 14,000, against 16,271 last year, for the week 100,000, against 152,608 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 4,515, against 3,237 last year; at Galveston 4,422, against 4,928; at Houston 6,848, against 7,047.

The market remained very quiet during the afternoon, with prices ruling around to a shade over the closing figures of Thursday.

Spot closed quiet; middling upland, 12.60c; middling gulf, 12.85c; sales 500 bales.

Futures closed barely steady. Closing bids—March, 12.53c; April, 12.04c; May, 11.89c; June, 11.81c; July 11.80c; August, 11.70c; September, 11.59c; October, 11.35c; December, 11.38c; January, 11.26c.

### Chicago Produce.

Chicago, March 24.—Butter steady; creameries, 28@35c. Eggs steady; receipts 16,820; at mark, cases included, 17@17½c; ordinary firsts, 16@16½c; firsts, 17c. Potatoes steady; receipts 81 cars; Michigan, 45@48c; Minnesota, 43@46c; Wisconsin, 42@45c. Poultry firmer; turkeys dressed, 21c; chickens, alive, 15½c; springs alive, 18½c.

### Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, March 24.—Hogs—Receipts, 42,000; steady; beeves, $8.00@9.10; mixed, $8.75@9.15; heavy, $8.55@9.15; roughs, $8.55@8.70; pigs, $6.00@8.00. Cattle—Receipts, 23,000; steady; beeves, $7.00@9.15; Texas steers, $6.50@7.60; western steers, $6.80@8.10; stockers and feeders, $6.00@8.20; cows and heifers, $3.45@8.00; calves, $7.00@11.25. Sheep—Receipts, 25,000; steady; native, $6.00@7.00; western, $6.25@7.00; yearlings, $7.20@8.25; lambs, native, $7.00@8.85; westerns, $7.25@8.85.

### Cleveland Live Stock.

Cleveland, March 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 600; market 15@25c higher. Veal calves—Receipts 200; market steady; good to choice, $10.50@11.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 500; market strong; choice spring lambs, $8.75@9.00; fair to good, $8.50@8.00; common, $5.50@6.00¼ choice wethers, $8.50@8.75; fair to good, $8.00@8.25; choice ewes, $6.00@6.25; culls and commons, $4.00@5.50. Hogs—Receipts, 2,700; market 5c higher; heavies, $8.50; mediums, yorkers, light yorkers and pigs, $9.60; roughs, $8.50; stags, $7.50.

### Pittsburg Live Stock.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; steady; choice heavy steers, $8.50@9.00; 1st steers, $8.00@8.50; fair steers, $8.75@7.00; choice heifers, $7.00@7.60; choice fat cows, $5.80@6.60; fair cows, $4.50@4.90; butchers' bulls, $6.75@7.75; milch cows, $40@75. Hogs—Receipts, 8,000; slow; prime heavies, $9.45@9.50; heavy mixed, $9.55; mediums, heavy Yorkers, light Yorkers and pigs, $9.60. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5,500; lower; prime wethers, $7.60; choice lambs, $9.00. Calves—Receipts, 700; lower; good to choice veals, $11.00.

### Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., March 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,000; active; prime steers, $8.75@9.00; shipping, $8.00@8.50; butchers, $6.00@8.40; heifers, $6.00@8.00; cows, $3.75@7.25; bulls, $5.00@7.25; stockers and feeders, $5.50@7.50; stock heifers, $5.00@6.00; fresh cows and springers, $35@80. Veals—Receipts, 850; active, $5.00@11.50. Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; active; heavy, $9.65@9.70; mixed Yorkers and pigs, $9.70@9.75; roughs, $8.60@8.75; stags, $7.00@8.00; dairies, $9.50@9.75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 9,000; lambs, $6.50@9.25; yearlings, $5.00@8.25; wethers, $6.50@7.00; ewes, $3.50@6.50; sheep, mixed, $5.00@6.65.

### New York Produce.

New York, March 24.—Flour quiet; spring patents, $4.40@4.60; winter straights, $4.40@4.50; winter patents, $4.70@5.10; spring clears, $4.00@4.20; winter extra No. 1, $3.80@4.10; winter extra No. 2, $3.70@3.80; Kansas straights, $4.00@4.20. Wheat—With foreign markets closed and wire service demoralized throughout the west, the local wheat market was dull and featureless, early with no sales. Beef steady; mess $19.00@20.00; family, $23.00@24.00; beef hams, $32.00@34.00. Pork steady; mess, $22.25@23.25; family, $23.00@25.00; short clear, $21.00@22.50. Lard firm; middle west $11.05@11.50. Raw sugar steady; Muscovado, 89 test, 3.08c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.59c; molasses sugar 89 test, 2.83c. Refined steady; crushed, $5.05; granulated fine, 4.35c; powdered, 4.45c. Petroleum steady; refined barrels, 8.50c. Molasses steady; New Orleans open kettle, 35@55c. Hay dull; standard, 97½c; No. 1, $1.00@1.05; No. 2, 85@95c; No. 3, 75@80c. Hides easy; Bogota, 38½@39¼c; Central America, 20½c. Leather firm; hemlock firsts, 28@29c; seconds, 27@28c; thirds, 24@25c; rejects, 19@20c.

Butter firm; receipts 8,491 tubs; creamery extras, 35¼@36c; firsts, 33@34¼c; seconds, 34@34½c; imitation creamery firsts, 26@27c; factory held, 24@25c; factory current make firsts, 24@24½c; do seconds, 23½c; packing stock, June make, 23@24c; packing stock, current make, No. 2, 23c; do, No. 3, 20@22c. Cheese irregular; receipts, 1,125 boxes; state, whole milk, held, colored, average fancy, 16@17c; do white, 16@16½c; state whole milk held, lower grades, 13@15½c; state, whole milk, fresh, colored specials, 15½c; do white, 15½c; do white and colored, average run, 15c; state, whole milk fresh, under grades, 11½@14½c; Wisconsin whole milk, twins, held fancy, 15½@16½c; do best, 15c; fast fresh best, 15c. Eggs steady and unchanged; receipts, 16,398 cases. Dressed poultry firm; fresh killed western chickens, 15c; fowls, 15@17c; turkeys frosen, 15@24½c.

## OLYMPIC AGAIN IN SERVICE

### White Star Liner Has Been Practically Rebuilt.

Belfast, March 24.—After being in the hands of her builders, Harland & Wolf, for the past six months, undergoing repairs, costing about $1,000,000, the steamship Olympic, of the White Star Line, left here today for Southampton.

## MARRIAGE WAS A WALL

### Actress Gives Reasons for Seeking Divorce From Millionaire.

New York, March 21.—"I thought marriage was a door to a career; my husband's idea of it was a wall. I had made ten thousand people a week laugh; I had made ten thousand people a week cry; yet I was asked to give all that up to be chatelaine in the apartments of a busy rich man, intent on his own devices, and satisfied to know that I would be across the dinner table from him every night."

To that difference of opinion is due the legal separation now sought by Pauline Frederick from her husband, Frank M. Andrews, millionaire architect.

Miss Frederick received a reporter last night between acts of Joseph and His Brethren, the play in which she has made her return to the stage after three years of quiet married life.

"Imagine what it would mean to a man who has directed the political movements of his community to be compelled to drop politics at the behest of a wife who believed that politics was good for everybody but her husband.

"That is the position in which Mr. Andrews placed me. I could have all the men callers I wanted in my own apartment. But he said that if I went back to the stage I should commit suicide of character.

"No people on earth so love a lame as stage folk. They realize what a lovely thing it is to have a clean, healthy, wholesome atmosphere to go to after emerging from the personality of some stage character. I believed in the republic of the home and the democracy of the fireside.

"But I learned that marriage to a wealthy man held little of republicanism and nothing of democracy. He was a ruler, I a subject. I think that in a real home husband and wife are equal, with equal votes.

"I did not want Mr. Andrew's money. I didn't need his money. I have always earned what money I needed and I found no enpoyment in the mere possession and expenditure of wealth.

"Stage women, when they marry, are no different from other women. But the excitement and exhilaration of the success of their own activities makes impossible a do-nothing life, such as a society girl or woman who live by business routine might enjoy."

## ARABS SLAY FRENCH TROOPS

Paris, March 22.—Despatches today told of the virtual annihilation of a small column of French troops by Arabs in the Aderar region of the western Sahara. A body of 1,000 of the intractable Berber tribe of Awellemid swooped down and surrounded the French detachment, which was marching through the shifting sands of the desert about three days' journey from Timbuktu, the French military station.

After a fight lasting all day the French troops were overcome. Their commander, Lieutenant Martin, and four sergeants were killed, together with 53 native troopers.

A few troopers escaped on pack horses and brought the news to headquarters in Timbuktu. They declared that the Arabs suffered tremendous losses before the ammunition of the French troops were exhausted.

You should read the Classified Opportunities column on last page.


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### Thousands of Sufferers State That They Have Been Cured

You will, like thousands of other skeptics, gladly testify that it has cured you and bless the hour and offer fervent thanks to this great remedy that has brought you back your health.

### Pains and Suffering Vanish in a Night

Those horrid griping pains that touch you like a knife—that rob you of all the sweets of happiness—that never seem to leave you. Each morning when you arise means another day of torture and agony—each meal you look forward to with pain and disgust. No matter what you eat you suffer.

### Do Away With All of It

I give you by offering you this Free $1.00 bottle a chance to become well—make it possible for you to have a sound and healthy stomach, enable you to eat anything and everything and know that you are going to enjoy it all with the full knowledge that nothing will distress you.

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### Read These Letters From Grateful People

**Are they not convincing? I have thousands of such letters in my office and I receive many of them every day in my mail. From Statesmen, Congressmen, Educators, Judge of Supreme Court, Prominent Professional and Business Men, Doctors, Nurses, Railroad Men, Farmers, Mechanics—and in fact men and women in all walks of life, who state that this Great Remedy has cured them and saved their lives.**

**I will give $1,000.00 in gold to any Charity if these letters of praise regarding my Remedy are not genuine letters from sufferers.**

**Had to Give Up Farming on Account of His Stomach**

Geo. H. Mayr, CHANDLER, OKLA.

I want to thank you for your Wonderful Stomach Remedy. I was in poor state of health when I wrote you for the treatment. My breath would get short, I wouldn't walk much, my joints were stiff and I could not eat much, but now I can eat everything. I had to give up farming because I was unable to do much walking, but since I have taken your remedy I feel like a new man. I am 56 years old and I feel better than I have felt for years. I cannot praise your Remedy too highly.

Very truly yours.
P. O. Box 196. CHAS. B. SNEAD.

**Her Friends Surprised How Well She Looks.**

Geo. H. Mayr, SPOONER, WIS.

I must let you know what your Wonderful Stomach Remedy has done for me. I can say I am cured. I eat everything. My friends are surprised how different and well I look, they hardly believe that your treatment did it. I had a friend staying with me at the time I took your medicine and she says its wonderful what it did for me. Pretty near every lady I talk to wants your address. I do not know what I would have done if I had not seen your ad; I feel as if I could not have lived.

Yours very truly.
MRS. F. C. PASCHER, R. R. NO. 1.

**Feels Like a New Man.**

Geo. H. Mayr, HARTSBURG, MO.

I have taken a course of your medicine and feel like a new man and I think it is the best in the world. If my name would do you any good use it.

Yours very truly
W. G. COOK.

**Passed Three Hundred Gall Stones.**

Geo. H. Mayr, Greenwood, S. C., 511 Oak St.

Please pardon me for not writing sooner. I find that your medicine can be obtained in our city. Including the bottle you sent me I have taken five bottles. It is the most wonderful medicine I have ever taken though mild in its work. I have been relieved of about 300 Gall Stones and feel better than I have felt for many years.

Very truly yours.
MRS. J. W. J. BURNETT.

**Never Expected to Leave Her Room Alive.**

Geo. H. Mayr, JONESVILLE, MICH.

Your Stomach and Tonic Remedy is certainly wonderful. My husband and I have just finished the course and I can say much for what it has done for us. We feel so thankful to know that this Remedy will help such awful Stomach trouble and will relieve one so quickly. I wish you could see the change.

I have not been out of my room since last August, ill with heart failure. I have given up hopes to ever leave it alive, and after two courses of your Stomach Remedy and one bottle of your Tonic I am now able to go to the table for my meals and have taken a mile ride in an automobile and have gained three pounds of flesh. I sleep like a child.

Yours very truly,
MRS. DORA HERGERT.

**Doctors Said She Would Not Live Long.**

Geo. H. Mayr, ROCKFORD, N. C.

My wife is well and she feels better than she has for five years. I thought she was going to die at once; the doctor said she would not live long. The surgeon in the hospital told her she was not strong enough to stand an operation, she came back home thinking that she would not live long. I saw your advertisement in the papers and I sat down and ordered a free trial treatment at once. In about eight days from date of ordering the medicine she is now completely well. We are grateful for your Remedy I will recommend it as long as I live.

Sincerly yours. SANFORD STANLEY.

**Suffered for Years With Stomach Trouble and Gall Stones.**

Geo. H. Mayr, KANE, PA.

I have taken all my medicine and I thank you many times for what it has done for me. I only took two doses and passed over 800 Gall Stones. I am feeling better than I have felt for years. Some of them were as large as a pea and some as large as an English walnut, hundred of small ones.

I am thankful that I learned of your wonderful medicine. I suffered for years with stomach trouble and Gall Stones and only got temporary relief. The doctors would tell me that I could not get well until I would go through an operation and that worried me. Many thanks to you and your dear good medicine. Sincerely yours.
MRS. E. PETERS.

### One Dose Should Make You Feel Better Than You Have Felt in Years

Hundreds, yes thousands upon thousands of people who have taken this remarkable remedy have written to me that they have not felt so well in years—and one dose alone has often accomplished wonderful results.

### I Must Have Great Faith in My Stomach Remedy

to say to you and every sufferer of Stomach ailments Try but one dose—take it the day you receive it and if you do not say with a glad heart that it made you feel better and greatly improved your health the next morning you will be one of the few cases that come under my observation where this great remedy has failed. Mind you the benefit of this medicine is an entirely natural one as this remedy contains no stimulants, opiates or any poisonous ingredients whatever. I guarantee this under the Pure Food and Drug Act, Serial No. 25798.

This Medicine Has Been Successfully Taken by Children of Nine Years of Age and Old People of Eighty-Eight Years and Will Not Harm You in Any Way.

### Operations For Stomach Trouble Are Often Fatal

How many have gone to their graves due to an operation for their Stomach ailments? How many more will go that way? Heed this warning before it is too late. Do not permit a dangerous operation until you have tried all other means to cure your ailment and you have tried one bottle of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy. I believe it is possible to cure the most chronic case of **Stomach, Liver and Intestinal Ailments and Symptoms of Gall Stones.**

One dose quickly eliminates the poisonous accretions that have been accumulating in your system for years. Rid your Stomach of all of this and you will feel better at once.

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Often Sufferers of Stomach, Liver and Intestinal Ailments or Gall Stones are told they have Cancer of the Stomach and other rare diseases, which quite often is not the case.

Is it not worth a postage stamp to write and request this Free Bottle when it means so much in health and happiness to you? Delays are dangerous, as by neglecting your ailment you only grow worse and your suffering increases. Better send for the Free Bottle today.

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# 5,000 FAMILIES ARE FORCED FROM HOMES IN INDIANA

**Indianapolis, March 25. — Flood conditions throughout the state are the worst in 30 years and it is estimated that more than 5,000 families have been forced to leave thier homes. So far four deaths by drowning have been reported, but several are said to be missing and may have been swept away with their homes.**

Indianapolis, Ind., March 25.—After an all night vigil watchers along the rivers and creeks throughout Indiana today were not encouraged with the coming of day. Swollen streams which during the last 48 hours have done enormous property damage, caused the death of four persons and made railroad and traction travel uncertain, show no signs of abating.

Rain which has been falling in torrents since Sunday morning today continued and on practically every river throughout the state fears were entertained for the safety of levees. Railroad and traction bridges as well as stretches of track were guarded during the night and every train entering Indianapolis today is marked late. Orders were issued by nearly all roads last night for slower speed throughout the flooded state.

**Higher Than in 1883.**

Reports from nearly every section of Indiana show that the entire state is in the grip of the worst flood in years, and in many places the high waters of 1883 have been surpassed. Thousands of acres of land in every river valley are flooded. Thousands of homes are surrounded and owners have fled to higher land.

In many cases rescuers carried out the residents in boats and it is feared that when the more remote districts are heard from the death list will be increased.

**Traction Service Uncertain.**

Traction service in all parts of Indiana is uncertain and in some sections it has been abandoned entirely. At Marion where the breaking of a Mississinewa river levee forced 500 persons to flee from their homes, no attempt is made to operate the traction cars, while at Ellwood, where a break in the Duck creek levee made 300 homeless, property damage is estimated at $75,000. At LaFayette the Wabash river has reached a stage of more than 21 feet after rising a foot an hour and still increasing. There the traffic has been suspended and the Detention hospital is under water. The inmates were rescued before the water reached the building.

**Militia on Patrol.**

At Kokomo Wildcat creek has overflowed the southern part of the town and a company of Indiana national guardsmen patrolled the submerged sections in boats during the night.

There the electric light plant was flooded and the town is without lights.

The mayor appealed to Gov. Ralston, who authorized the use of the militia.

The suddenness with which the flood came caught farmers in every section of Indiana unprepared and thousands of head of live stock were drowned.


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## NEW CORSETS ARE COMING

**Straight Line Is to Disappear, Says Fashion Expert.**

Paris, March 25.—A radical change in the feminine outline is predicted as a result of the display of new modes of Ateuil.

A fashion experts says that the days of the corset with a straight line have gone. This year it will present a graceful curve.

After an old sinner has voluntarily reformed he wants to force everybody else to be as good as he imagines he is.

# FLOODS SWEEP OVER ALL OHIO

Many Lives Lost, With Property Damage Amounting to Millions.

Practically the entire state of Ohio was cut off from communication with the outside world, property damages estimated in the millions of dollars was done, many lives were lost, and scores of towns are under water as the result of floods caused by heavy rains of the last few days. Trains in every direction are blocked by washouts.

At Delaware, O., Mayor B. V. Leas and 20 citizens are reported drowned in the high water, and the population of the village running to the hills for protection from high water.

Dayton and Findlay are reported entirely under water. At Mansfield it was reported that two feet of water is running in the streets and at Akron a report estimates the flood damage at more than $1,000,000.

**Southern Ohio Floded.**

Practically the entire southern section of the state is flooded, and no reports can be secured from there. Telephone and telegraph wires are down, and telephone companies report that many of their exchanges are under water.

In Columbus the levee which holds back the Scioto river is broken and a large area containing a population of 50,000 or 60,000 flooded.

In Columbus, street car service was stopped, police battled with flood conditions and attempted to warn and rescue endangered persons. Several sensational rescues were made.

**Streams Are Torrents**

In Cleveland and northeastern Ohio all streams are at flood stage, and property damage is large In northwestern Ohio in the vicinity of Toledo, all the small streams are raging torrents, street and interurban car service has been stopepd, and many lives endangered

Wooster, Orrville, Mount Vernon and Delaware, all located on high ground, are reported entirely surrounded by water.

Marion county officials appealed to Governor Cox for tents and boats.

## SOLACE FOR DISAPPOINTED!

New York, March 24.—Shortly after 5 o'clock Saturday morning the well-known earth put one over on its lesser light, the moon. Except in astronomical observatories and dog kennels little fuss was made over the affair, for it was only the earth's shadow that made things on the moon look dark for awhile.

Heheabouts opera glass and wine glass astronomers, who had enough foresight and ambition to be on the lookout, saw the earth beginning to cast its shadow at 5:13. In the Eastern states before any more than a partial eclipse could be seen the moon had set.

Our fellow countrymen on the Pacific coast, however, got the full benefit of the spectacle. But if you didn't see your share don't worry—there's another total eclipse of the moon in 1931.


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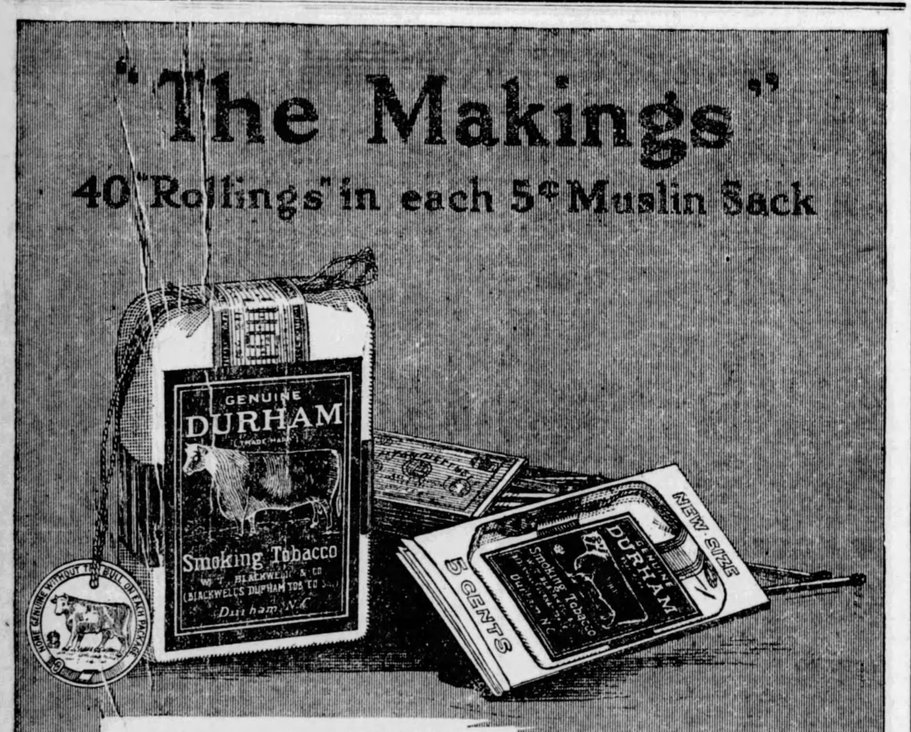


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# *DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO DEVASTATES MUCH OF OMAHA AND SUBURBS*

Lincoln, Neb., March 24.—Nearly 100 are dead, twice as many more were injured, some fatally, by a death-dealing tornado which devastated Omaha and its environs early last night. It demoralized telegraph and telephone service, and cut Omaha off from communication with the outside world.

Property damage will mount up into the hundreds of thousands.

The tornado swept in from the southwest and zigzagged to the northeast over the residence portion of the city, leaving in its wake destruction and carnage from two to four blocks wide. Fire sprung up all over this area and added to the horror of the twister.

Firemen were unable to respond to the numerous alarms and many houses were allowed to burn to the ground. The police were unable to properly protect the stricken district, and the soldiers from Fort Omaha were called out. The tornado zone is now practically under martial lay.

Trains which pulled into the city took on dead bodies and the many injured. The villages of Benson, Dundee and Florence, suburbs of Omaha, are practically wiped out.

The fact that a heavy rain fell for half an hour after the tornado saved the mass of wreckage and many of the bodies of the dead from being burned.

**GIRLS ARE KILLED.**

The Webster street telephone station, containing a score or more girls, was one of the buildings hit by the storm, and in a moment was twisted and torn. Several of the girls were killed outright ,and many others were injured.

At Twenty-fourth and Lake streets, a moving picture show which was just putting on its final film was struck. The roof of the building fell in, and in the mad rush which was made through the only exits open, many of those who were not hurt by the collapse of the building were trampled and crushed. The rush continued, however, over the bodies of the dead and a few of the attendants escaped.

At Fortieth and Farnum a garage was destroyed and a large strip of territory north and east of that corner was seriously damaged. The Illinois Central bridge over the Missouri river was destroyed.

Semi-hysterical passengers arriving here say that the hospitals and hotels of Omaha are full of the injured, and that the dead are very numerous.

**SUBURBS SUFFER.**

Omaha's suburbs suffered heavily from the storm. Ralston, southwest of Omaha, was razed to the ground and a half score or more are dead. East Omaha, which felt the tail of the tempest, reported houses demolished, but no lives lost. Council Bluffs, Iowa, suffered nine dead, a score or more injured, and great damage to property.

The worst damage was done and the largest toll of lives was exacted in the western part of Omaha, and in the vicinity of 24th and Lake, and from there northeast to 16th and Binney. This is the residence portion, and the destruction wrought was well nigh appalling. Whole blocks of homes were picked up and dashed ioto a shapeless mass. Street cars were hurled from the tracks and demolished. A moving picture show at 24th and Lake was destroyed. Ten dead and eight injured have thus far been recovered from the ruins .

**SHOW PLACES HIT.**

Among the show places of Omaha which felt the baneful effects of the storm was Joslyn Castle. The roof was torn off and the trees and shrubbery uprooted.

The convent of the Poor Clares at Twenty-ninth and Hamilton streets was unroofed and the grounds were littered with debris. An unverified report said that the Sacred Heart academy at Thirty-sixth and Bart streets was demolished.

The storm so paralyzed the telegraph service that no reports of the disaster could be communicated to the outside world. The Omaha telegraph officials sent their Associated Press messages to Lincoln on an early morning train in an effort to get them east.

At 1:30 a. m. Omaha presented a sorry spectacle as a result of last night's terrific storm. From the Field Club, which is in the western part of the city to the Carter Lake Club, situated at the northeast extremity is one mass debris from two to six blocks wide. Federal soldiers from Fort Omaha assisted the police in keeping looters and morbid curiosity seekers at bay. The presence of the soldiers gives the city the appearance of being under martial law.

# *MORE TORNADOES NOW THAN AT TIME SINCE 1884*

Not since 1884 has there been such an outburst of tornadic storms as that which occured in the west and south this month.

A full-fledged tornado is the most awe-inspiring meteor that ever sweeps through the atmosphere. An ordinary tempest creeps upon its victims by more gradual steps, gains strength by degrees, covers the whole country for hundreds of miles around with its indefinite shadow, and seems only a common storm that has developed unusual power.

But a tornado is a kind of atmospheric demon, whose black, distorted form can be seen swiftly approaching from afar, whirling and dancing like a gigantic dervish and tearing up the very soil in its fury.

It lets down from the menacing cloud above a huge trombe or trunk of inky blackness, with lightning playing about it, and, whizzing with the speed of a huge buzz saw, it plows a path through a forest; tears away the front of a gravel bank with the force of a hydraulic jet; scoops up the contents of a pond to the very muck; sucks away creeks.

It demolishes barns, haystacks, houses, churches, scattering their remnants over a square mile of territory; snatches up cattle, horses, sheep, and even men and women—sometimes dashing them to death, and sometimes giving them a wild ride through the air only to set them down at last unharmed.

The path of a tornado is from 100 to 600 yards wide, and the length of its course may vary from one or two up to 50 miles. Almost invariably it moves toward the northeast, with a speed of from 20 to 50 miles an hour. The center, where the destructive power is greatest occupies from one to five minutes in passing over a given point. On account of the uniformity in the direction of the movement of tornadoes, it is not difficult to get out of their track if they can be seen, or heard, coming a quarter or a half hour in advance.

But when, as happened last week, a horde of these "twisters" breaks upon the face of the land there is hardly any meteorological disaster so serious as that which they produce.

A series of charts prepared by the government in its studies of the great outbreak of tornadoes on Feb. 19, 1884, to which the present one may be compared, resemble military maps of an invaded country; across which a dozen armies are marching on parallel lines.

From the Mississippi Valley across Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina the tornadoes rushed side by side, new ones breaking out as the earlier ones were dissipated, until their raid had almost reached the Atlantic Ocean.

Tornadoes always occur in the southeastern quarter of a cyclonic disturbance. Such a disturbance may be from a thousand to two thousand miles broad, producing nothing but rains and moderate winds over most of its area, but in the southeastern quadrant, where warm southerly winds are brought into contact with cold winds from the northwest, whirls are set up, as eddies appear at the edge of conflicting currents of water, and these, if the contrasts of temperature are extreme, quickly develop in tornado funnels.

In every case the direction of the whirl of a tornado is from right to left, the same as that of all cyclonic wind in the northern hemisphere. In the case of the general winds this is readily explained as a result of the rotation of the earth on its axis. In the southern hemisphere the winds turn from left to right.


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# ASK WILSON'S AID IN VICE CRUSADE

Illinois Commissioners Seek to Impress President With Gravity of Situation.

Washington, March 22.—Illinois vice crusaders, the senatorial commission headed by Lieutenant Governor Barratt O'Hara, is in Washington today seeking to nationalize the scope of their inquiry.

To that end the commission first sought the aid of President Wilson with whom they conferred at the White House. Lieutenant Governor O'Hara was accompanied at his conference with the President by the other members of the commission, Senators Edmund Beall, F. Jeff Tossey, D. T. Woodward and Niels Juul.

**Outline Situation.**

After outlining to the President the results of the inquiry in Illinois which revealed in many instances that girls and young working women were paid less than a living wage and that many of them led double lives, the commissioners requested the President to call a national conference of state governors to plan a systematic and sane campaign to better working conditions of women throughout the nation.

Federal co-operation was asked in the movement already begun in many of the states, for a federal commission similar to that in Illinois, for inquiries into the wage system and into organized vice conditions in the various states. At the White House conference the question of federal inquiry through the department of justice into the white slave traffice was also discussed.

**Minimum Wage Law.**

One of the means proposed as basic relief for women was the enactment of a federal minimum wage law. Later today the Illinois commission conducted a hearing to which were invited several hundred prominent welfare workers, clergymen, officials and many prominent women in Washington social and club life. Lieutenant Governor O'Hara sought to learn the opinions of women who move in high social circles concerning the influence upon working girls of the extravagance of women of wealth.

The lieutenant governor urged particularly that the national conference be called this summer or in the fall at which remedial legislation could be discussed and planned. He stated that the governors of 32 states already had agreed to join in the movement.

President Wilson thanked the commission for their presentation of the subject.

"I do not believe I can grasp the full gravity of the situation from this brief outline," said the President, "but if you will leave with me your recommendations and record of your investigation, I assure you I will give the matter serious attention."

## USES REAL "COURT" CARDS

**Kaiser's Pack Bears Portraits of the European Rulers.**

Berlin, March 24.—Society is indebted to the emperor for novel and distinctive idea in the design of playing cards. In the packs used at the imperial palace at Potsdam, the queens represent Mary of England, Elena of Italy, the Kaiserine, and the Czarina, and the four kings, King George, King Victor, the Czar and the Kaiser.

The four aces are represented by the four most beautiful actresses in Europe—unnamed for fear of international complications—while the four knaves represent diplomats of European reputation.

## MONT BLANC TUNNEL PLANNED

**Proposed Bore Will Lessen Distance to Italy From Paris.**

Paris, March 24.—The tunneling of Mont Blanc has been decided on in principle by the French government, says the correspondent of the Matin at Geneva. Projects for piercing Mont Blanc has been discussed for many years, and offer no great physical difficulty.

## HARD TIMES BAD FOR BEER

**Consumption of Drink Falls Off in Germany as Result.**

Berlin, March 24.—The financial situation, the hard times, and the higher cost of living are affecting the consumption of beer in Germany. An official of one of the largest brewerles in Munich declares that the receipts have fallen off 25 per cent in the last two months.

## ADRIANOPLE WILL FIGHT.

Adrianople, March 22.—(7 a. m., by wireless to Constantinople.) — Shukri Pasha, the commander of this fortress, and his troops are determined to continue the defense they have no carried on for five months and all reports as to offers made by them to surrender may be dismissed as pure inventions.

Only starvation can force the capitulation of the beleaguered garrison. Food is regularly distributed among the population by the military authorities and there are considerable supplies.

Perfect order prevails within the city. The Bulgarian besiegers are making no progress and their occasional assaults have been futile. The intermittent bombardment has done no harm to the defending forts.

**Discord Among Allies.**

Discord is said to prevail among the allied armies. The Servians brought up to assist the Bulgarians in the siege remain idle in their lines and are not participating in any of the active operations.

The report from Sofia that Shukri Pasha had ordered the Greek and Armenian bishops here to be hanged because they had drawn attention to the alleged miseries of the population is groundless. It has aroused much indignation here, the two prelates themselves being most energetic in protesting against the story. They exto the courtesy of the commander, praising his solicitude for the civil and military populations of the city.

## CHINESE GENERAL IS SHOT

Shanghai, March 21.—General Sung, ex-minister of education, was shot and dangerously wounded here yesterday. His assailant escaped. General Sung was on his way to attend the opening of parliament at Peking. The attack on him occurred at the railway station.


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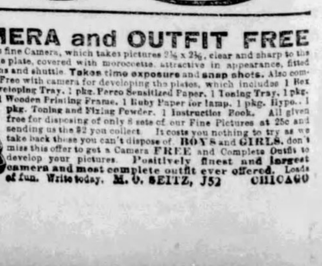


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